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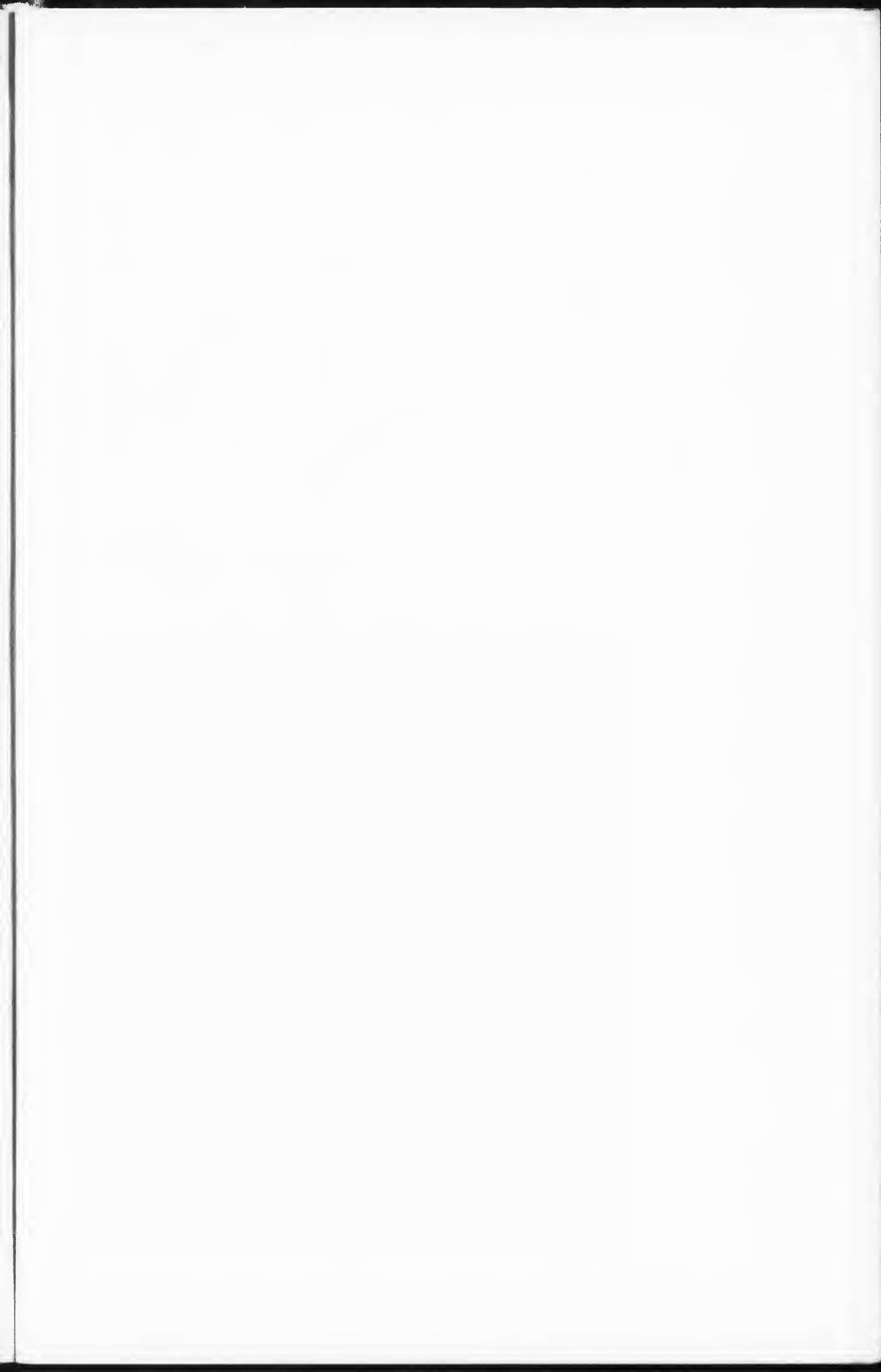
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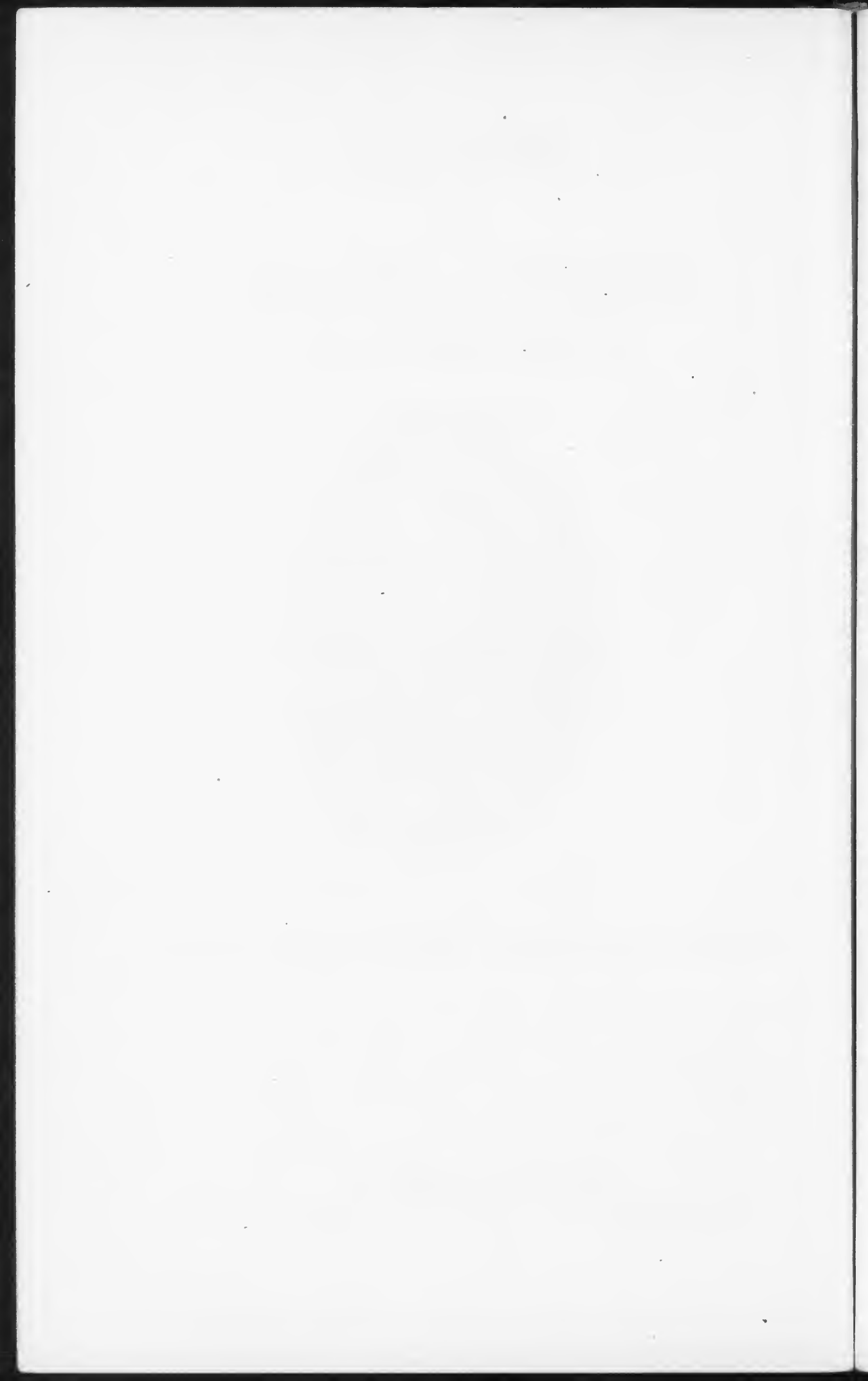
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For Sioux Falls District—The Rev. G. W. Rosenberry, District Superintendent.

Response—President W. G. Seaman.

9:00 P. M.—Social Hour.

Wednesday, October 6

3:00 P. M.—Annual Sermon—By the Rev. J. A. Edwards.

7:30 P. M.—Epworth League Anniversary—The Rev. F. H. Ray, presiding.
Address—By Dr. Wilbur F. Sheridan.

8:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Foreign Missionary Society.
Dr. J. E. Crowther gave his illustrated lecture on Africa.

Thursday, October 7

2:00 P. M.—Anniversary of Woman's Home Missionary Society, Mrs. W. S. Shepherd, presiding.

Address—By Dr. C. M. Boswell.

3:30 P. M.—W. C. T. U. meeting, Mrs. Alice M. Pickler, presiding.

7:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the American Bible Society—M. E. Nickerson, presiding.

Address—By the Rev. S. H. Kirkbride, D.D.

8:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension Society—R. G. Minkler, presiding.

Address—By the Rev. C. M. Boswell, D.D.

Friday, October 8

2:00 P. M.—Anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—Mrs. I. M. Hargett, presiding.

Address—By Dr. J. E. Crowther.

8:00 P. M.—Lecture—By Bishop William A. Quayle, on "A Tale of Two Cities."

Saturday, October 9

2:00 P. M.—Auto ride about the city.

3:00 P. M.—Informal reception to ministers' wives at First Church parsonage. Hostesses: Mesdames J. W. Potter, G. W. Rosenberry, and W. N. Deller.

7:30 P. M.—Anniversary of Sunday Schools—L. L. Lane, presiding.

Address—By Dr. William S. Bovard.

8:30 P. M.—Educational Anniversary—Dr. J. E. Crowther, presiding.

Address—By Dr. Thomas Nicholson.

THIRTY-FIRST SESSION**Sunday, October 10**

- 9:00 A. M.—Annual Love Feast, conducted by Dr. Thomas Nicholson,
assisted by Dr. J. E. Crowther.
- 10:30 A. M.—Public Worship. Sermon by Bishop William A. Quayle, D.D.,
LL.D. Text: What time I am afraid I will trust in Thee.
Psa. 56, 3.
- 2:30 P. M.—Ordination and Baptismal services.
- 7:30 P. M.—Freedmen's Aid Anniversary—T. B. Wilber, presiding.
Address—By I. Garland Penn.
- 8:30 P. M.—Temperance Anniversary.
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Brown, S. E., entered itinerancy Des Moines 1888, full member 1890, transferred to Dakota 1909. Deacon 1890. Elder 1892.

Bruce, R. A., entered itinerancy Missouri 1901, full member 1905, transferred to Dakota 1911.

Bunt, P. O., entered itinerancy Dakota 1900, full member 1902. Deacon 1902. Elder 1904.

Bunton, H. W., entered itinerancy Kentucky 1907, full member 1909, transferred to Dakota 1914. Deacon 1908. Elder 1911.

Buriff, A. E., entered itinerancy Iowa Conference, transferred to Dakota 1909.

Butterfield, O. W., entered itinerancy Northwest Iowa 1901, transferred to Dakota 1902, full member 1903, supernumerary 1909, effective 1911. Deacon 1901. Elder 1906.

Calfee, W. J., entered itinerancy Nebraska 1889, transferred to Dakota 1898, to Nebraska 1900, to Dakota 1906.

Carhart, A. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1890, full member 1892. Deacon 1892. Elder 1894.

Case, H. L., entered itinerancy Northwest Iowa 1892, probation 1893, full member 1895, transferred to Dakota 1913. Deacon 1895. Elder 1897.

Chamberlain, D. W., entered itinerancy Northwest Iowa 1872, full member 1876, to Dakota Mission 1875, retired 1887. Charter member. Deacon 1876. Elder 1880.

Christensen, Nels A., entered itinerancy Dakota 1910, probation 1911, full member 1915. Deacon 1915. Undergraduate.

Clark, C. B., entered itinerancy Iowa 1864, full member 1866, transferred to Dakota 1886, retired 1914. Deacon 1866. Elder 1868.

Corwin, G. J., entered itinerancy Dakota Mission 1881, probation 1883, full member 1886, charter probationer, retired 1908. Deacon 1886. Elder 1888.

Crowther, J. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1901, probation 1902, full member 1904. Deacon 1904. Elder 1906.

Darling, L. W., entered itinerancy Minnesota 1896, probation Dakota 1906, full member 1911. Deacon. Undergraduate.

Davies, Thomas, entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, probation 1910, full member 1912. Deacon 1912. Elder 1914.

Dean, E. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1889, probation 1893, full member 1896, supernumerary 1909, retired 1912. Deacon 1896. Elder 1900.

Deeble, W. D., entered itinerancy Dakota 1886, full member 1888, retired 1913. Deacon 1886. Elder 1890.

Dennison, C. B., entered itinerancy Dakota 1911, probation 1912, full member 1914. Deacon 1914. Undergraduate.

Deller, W. N., entered itinerancy Dakota 1907, probation 1910, full member 1913. Deacon 1912. Elder 1914.

Dibble, J. B., entered itinerancy Dakota 1886, probation 1888, full member 1890, transferred to Nebraska 1911, to Dakota 1912. Deacon 1890. Elder 1892.

Dobson, J. O., entered itinerancy Upper Iowa 1883, full member 1885, transferred to Dakota 1892. Deacon 1885. Elder 1886 (Missionary Rule).

Douglass, W. J., entered itinerancy West Nebraska 1903, probation 1902, full member 1905, transferred to Dakota 1908, supernumerary 1912. Deacon 1905. Elder 1909.

Dunn, F. B., entered itinerancy Des Moines 1885, full member 1888, transferred to Dakota 1904. Deacon 1888. Elder 1890.

Eberhart, H. P., entered itinerancy Dakota 1895, probation 1905, full member 1907. Deacon 1907. Elder 1909.

Ebert, J. H., entered itinerancy Dakota 1912, full member 1913. Deacon 1912. Elder 1914.

Edwards, J. A., entered itinerancy Montreal, Canadian Methodist, 1895, admitted on credentials as Elder, Northwest Iowa, 1900, Missionary to Black Hills 1910, transferred to Dakota 1913.

Egner, G. D., entered itinerancy Northwest Nebraska 1904, full member 1906, transferred to Dakota 1908. Deacon 1912. Elder 1909.

Ellis, J. S., entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, probation 1910, full member 1912. Deacon 1912. Elder 1914.

Evans, J. D., entered itinerancy Holston 1908, full member 1910, transferred to Dakota 1911, supernumerary 1911. Deacon 1910. Undergraduate.

Faith, F. M., entered itinerancy Nebraska 1900, probation Black Hills Mission 1901, full member Nebraska 1903, transferred to Dakota 1903. Deacon 1903. Elder 1906.

Fanebust, Nels, entered itinerancy Dakota 1905, full member 1911. Deacon 1908. Elder 1911.

Farr, H. I., entered itinerancy Dakota 1899, probation 1900, full member 1903, supernumerary 1908, located 1913, readmitted 1914, retired 1914.

Ferguson, W. T., entered itinerancy St. Louis 1898, full member 1903, transferred to Dakota 1908. Deacon 1900. Elder 1903.

Fish, E. J., entered itinerancy Upper Iowa 1896, joined Free Methodists 1892, admitted on credentials to Northwest Nebraska 1911, transferred to Dakota 1913. Deacon 1900. Elder 1902.

Franklin, J. F., entered itinerancy Northwest Iowa 1896, probation Minnesota 1902, full member West Wisconsin 1907, transferred to Dakota 1910. Deacon 1907. Elder 1910.

Freeman, O. M., transferred from Northwest Kansas 1915.

Gage, G. N., entered itinerancy Erie 1896, full member 1900, located 1908, readmitted Dakota 1912. Deacon 1897. Elder 1901.

Gale, W. E., entered itinerancy Northern New York 1895, full member 1900, transferred to Dakota 1908. Supernumerary 1915.

Gardner, Paul, entered itinerancy Des Moines 1898, full member 1900, transferred to Dakota 1905. Deacon 1900. Elder 1902.

Gilliland, C. V., entered itinerancy Upper Iowa 1897, full member 1900, transferred to Dakota 1905, to St. Louis 1912, to Dakota 1913. Deacon 1900. Elder 1902.

Graves, W. N., entered itinerancy Des Moines 1897, probation 1898, full member 1901, transferred to Dakota 1915. Deacon 1901. Elder 1903.

Greene, W. A., entered itinerancy Dakota 1895, full member 1897, supernumerary 1898, effective 1902, supernumerary 1914. Deacon 1897. Elder 1904.

Graf, C. H., entered itinerancy Dakota 1907, full member 1909. Deacon 1909. Elder 1911.

Graham, W. I., entered itinerancy 1876, full member 1878, transferred to South Kansas, to Dakota 1897, supernumerary 1910, retired 1914. Deacon 1878. Elder 1882.

Gram, W. O., entered itinerancy Dakota 1890, probation 1891, full member 1893, supernumerary 1898, retired 1901. Deacon 1893. Not an Elder.

Gurney, J. T., entered itinerancy Detroit 1893, probation 1894, transferred to Dakota 1896, transferred to Detroit 1896, to Dakota 1900. Deacon 1896. Elder 1898.

Habgood, M. T., entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, full member 1911. Deacon 1911. Elder 1913.

Hager, C. E., entered itinerancy Upper Iowa 1876, full member 1878, transferred to Dakota Mission 1883, charter member. Deacon 1878. Elder 1880.

Hall, J. G., entered itinerancy Ohio 1876, probation 1877, full member 1879, transferred to Dakota 1886, retired 1899.

Hargett, I. M., entered itinerancy Northwest Iowa 1902, full member 1906, transferred to Dakota 1910. Deacon 1906. Elder 1908.

Harkness, J. S., entered itinerancy Wesleyan Church 1889, entered Dakota on credentials as an Elder 1894.

Harrold, C. B., entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, full member 1911. Deacon 1909. Elder 1911.

Hartsough, Lewis, entered itinerancy Oneida 1851, full member 1853, transferred to Dakota Mission 1880, charter member, supernumerary 1889, retired 1892. Deacon 1853. Elder 1855.

Hartung, W. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1895, probation 1906, full member 1909. Deacon 1908. Elder 1911. Supernumerary 1915.

Hoagland, J. S., entered itinerancy Northwest Indiana 1892, full member 1894, transferred to Dakota 1908. Deacon 1894. Elder 1896.

Hocking, A. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1907, full member 1909. Deacon 1909. Elder 1911.

Holmes, E. E., entered itinerancy Indiana 1903, full member 1906, transferred to Dakota 1911. Deacon 1903. Elder 1907.

Hoyer, A. J., entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, full member 1911. Deacon 1911. Elder 1913.

Hughes, R. B., entered itinerancy Black Hills 1897, full member Des Moines 1902, transferred to Dakota 1906. Deacon 1897. Elder 1903.

Hubbard, B. I., entered itinerancy Free Methodist, was received into Dakota on credentials as a Deacon 1915.

Hunter, J. M., entered itinerancy Dakota 1905, full member 1908. Deacon 1908. Elder 1910.

Hunt, E. E., entered itinerancy North Nebraska 1894, full member 1896, transferred to Dakota 1908, to Illinois 1909, to Dakota 1911. Deacon 1896. Elder 1901.

Hyde, O. M., entered itinerancy Dakota 1899, probation 1900, full member 1903. Deacon 1903. Elder 1905.

Jackson, O. P., entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, probation 1910, full member 1912. Deacon 1912. Undergraduate.

Jamison, Archibald, entered itinerancy Northwest Iowa 1870, full member 1873, charter member Dakota, retired 1905. Deacon 1873. Elder 1875.

Janes, A. P., entered itinerancy Dakota 1888, full member 1890. Deacon 1890. Elder 1894.

Jenkins, J. P., entered itinerancy Dakota Mission 1883, probation 1884, charter probationer, full member 1887. Deacon 1884. Elder 1889.

Johnson, N. P., entered itinerancy Utah 1891, probation Western Norwegian-Danish 1892, full member 1894, transferred to Dakota 1899. Deacon 1894. Elder 1899.

Kaye, John, entered itinerancy Dakota 1893, probation 1895, full member 1897. Deacon 1897. Elder 1899.

Kearton, J. H., entered itinerancy Dakota 1903, full member 1905. Deacon 1905. Elder 1908.

Kenderdine, Percy, entered itinerancy Minnesota 1908, full member 1908, transferred to Dakota 1913.

Lawson, P. J., entered itinerancy North Nebraska 1901, full member 1905, transferred to Dakota 1913. Deacon 1899. Elder 1901.

Lane, L. L., entered itinerancy Dakota 1895, probation 1896, full member 1899. Deacon 1899. Elder 1901.

Layne, L. L., entered itinerancy Dakota 1905, full member 1907. Deacon 1907. Elder 1909.

Lee, Harry, entered itinerancy East Maine 1902, full member 1905, transferred to Dakota 1913. Deacon 1904. Elder 1907.

Lewis, F. F., entered itinerancy Indiana 1905, full member 1907, transferred to Dakota 1912. Deacon 1905. Elder 1907.

Loomis, W. T., received on his credentials from the Christian Church as a Deacon 1915.

Lott, A. M., entered itinerancy Northwest Kansas 1886, full member 1889, transferred to Dakota 1912.

Loveall, A. S., entered itinerancy West Virginia 1880, full member 1882, transferred to Dakota 1905, retired 1915. Deacon 1880. Elder 1884.

Lucas, J. W., entered itinerancy Dakota 1890, transferred to Cincinnati 1891, full member 1893, transferred to Dakota 1904, located 1905, readmitted 1907. Deacon 1893. Elder 1896.

Machemer, E. O., entered itinerancy Rock River 1900, probation Dakota 1904, full member 1907. Deacon 1907. Elder 1910.

MacLean, A. C., entered itinerancy Dakota 1900, probation 1902, full member 1904. Deacon 1904. Elder 1906.

Marble, S. W., probation 1912, full member 1915. Deacon 1915. Undergraduate.

Matteson, C. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1890, full member 1892, transferred to Northwest Iowa 1902, to Dakota 1912. Deacon 1892. Elder 1894.

Matthews, G. T., entered itinerancy Dakota 1907, probation 1908, full member 1910. Deacon 1910. Elder 1913.

Minkler, R. G., entered itinerancy Northwest Iowa 1905, full member 1908, transferred to Dakota 1911. Deacon 1908. Elder 1911.

MacBeth, P. H., entered itinerancy Dakota 1901, full member 1903. Deacon 1903. Elder 1905.

McDonald, C. E., entered itinerancy 1912, full member 1915. Deacon 1915. Undergraduate.

McDonald, L. A., entered itinerancy Dakota 1902, probationer 1906, full member 1911. Deacon 1911. Elder 1913.

McEldowney, B. W., entered itinerancy Des Moines 1900, transferred to Dakota 1901, full member 1902. Deacon 1902. Elder 1905.

McKinney, J. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1902, transferred to North Dakota 1904, full member 1905, transferred to Dakota 1910. Deacon 1905. Elder 1911.

McReynolds, R. C., entered itinerancy Northwest Indiana 1885, full member North Nebraska 1888, transferred to Dakota 1913, retired 1915. Deacon 1886. Elder 1891.

Minish, H. W., entered itinerancy Upper Iowa 1903, probationer New York East 1907, full member 1909, transferred to Dakota 1913. Deacon 1908. Elder 1909.

Morrison, F. E., entered itinerancy Iowa 1904, full member 1906, transferred to Dakota 1910. Deacon 1906. Elder 1908.

Nicholson, Thomas, entered itinerancy Michigan 1884, probation 1885, full member 1887, transferred to Dakota 1903. Deacon 1887. Elder 1889.

Nickerson, M. E., entered itinerancy Dakota Mission 1882, full member Northwest Iowa 1884, charter member Dakota, supernumerary 1903, effective 1908. Deacon 1884. Elder 1887.

Notson, G. T., entered itinerancy Des Moines 1890, full member 1893, transferred to Dakota 1894. Deacon 1893. Elder 1896.

Norvell, J. E., entered itinerancy Dakota Mission 1882, charter member, supernumerary 1912. Deacon 1882. Elder 1888.

Oakley, John, entered itinerancy Dakota 1902, probation 1908, full member 1910. Deacon 1910. Elder 1912.

Ozanne, H. G., missionary to India 1900, full member North India 1906, transferred to Dakota 1907.

Page, F. C., entered itinerancy Dakota 1905, probation 1907, full member 1911. Deacon 1911. Elder 1914.

Payne, J. R., entered itinerancy Iowa, transferred to Dakota 1906, supernumerary 1910, effective 1915.

Potter, I. P., entered itinerancy Dakota 1895, full member 1897. Deacon 1897. Elder 1899.

Potter, J. W., entered itinerancy Iowa 1887, full member 1891, transferred to Dakota 1911. Deacon 1889. Elder 1891.

Phillips, O. A., entered itinerancy United Brethren 1863, received into Minnesota on credentials as an Elder 1880, charter member Dakota, retired 1906.

Rawlinson, Fred, entered itinerancy Dakota 1906, probation 1908, full member 1910. Deacon 1910. Elder 1910.

Ray, Fred, entered itinerancy North Nebraska 1899, transferred to Dakota 1907, full member 1908. Deacon 1908. Elder 1914.

Redfield, W. O., entered itinerancy Dakota 1887, probation 1888, full member 1890. Deacon 1890. Elder 1892.

Redmayne, Ernest, entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, probation 1911, full member 1913. Deacon 1913. Elder 1915.

Rice, H. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1910, full member 1912. Deacon 1912. Elder 1915.

Rosenberry, G. W., entered itinerancy Central New York 1893, full member 1895, transferred to Dakota 1901. Deacon 1895. Elder 1897.

Saxton, E. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1899, full member 1903. Deacon 1901. Elder 1903.

Seaman, W. G., entered itinerancy North Indiana 1888, full member New England 1896, transferred to Dakota 1912. Deacon 1893. Elder 1897.

Shearer, R. C., entered itinerancy Dakota 1906, full member 1908. Deacon 1908. Elder 1911.

Shepherd, W. S., entered itinerancy Dakota 1895, probation 1896, full member 1898. Deacon 1898. Elder 1900.

Shurtleff, S. H., entered itinerancy Dakota 1898, probation 1903, full member 1905. Deacon 1904. Elder 1907.

Simmons, Thomas, entered itinerancy Upper Iowa 1873, full member 1876, charter member Dakota, supernumerary 1900, effective 1905, supernumerary 1908, retired 1912.

Slocum, W. P., entered itinerancy Dakota 1899, probation 1900, full member 1902, transferred to Nebraska 1909, to Dakota 1914. Deacon 1902. Elder 1904.

Smith, J. T. B., entered itinerancy Northern Minnesota 1896, full member 1898, transferred to Dakota 1911. Deacon 1898. Elder 1901.

Spitz, S. F., entered itinerancy North Indiana 1894, full member 1896, transferred to Northern Minnesota 1905, to Dakota 1906, located 1908, readmitted 1911. Deacon 1896. Elder 1898.

Stebbins, C. M., entered itinerancy Vermont 1889, probation 1890, full member 1892, transferred to Troy 1906, to Dakota 1906, supernumerary 1913. Deacon 1892. Elder 1896.

Stevens, J. D., entered itinerancy Dakota 1905, probation 1907, full member 1909. Deacon 1909. Elder 1912.

Stiles, B. F., entered itinerancy United Brethren, probation Dakota 1900, full member 1903, located 1908, readmitted 1913. Deacon 1903. Undergraduate. Supernumerary 1915.

Tanner, A. E., entered itinerancy Genesee 1881, transferred to Dakota 1885, supernumerary 1902, retired 1907.

Tanner, Frank, entered itinerancy Dakota 1907, probation 1911, full member 1913. Deacon 1913. Undergraduate.

Tarleton, R. E., entered itinerancy New York, probation Dakota 1902, full member 1905. Deacon 1901. Elder 1907.

Taylor, O. W., entered itinerancy Minnesota 1892, transferred to Dakota 1911.

Thomas, Martin, entered itinerancy Black Hills Mission 1899, full member Dakota 1901. Deacon 1901. Elder 1903.

Thurston, A. W., entered itinerancy Dakota 1895, full member 1897. Deacon 1897. Elder 1899.

Tibbetts, J. M., entered itinerancy Northwest Iowa 1895, full member 1899, transferred to Dakota 1906. Deacon 1899. Elder 1901.

Trevithick, T. H., entered itinerancy Dakota 1888, full member 1892, transferred to Upper Iowa 1895, to Dakota 1905. Deacon 1892. Elder 1894.

Vernon, E. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, full member 1911. Deacon 1911. Elder 1913.

Walsh, J. L., entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, full member 1911. Deacon 1911. Undergraduate.

Waltz, J. W., transferred to Dakota 1913, supernumerary 1914.

Weston, P. H., entered itinerancy Dakota 1899, probation 1901, full member 1907. Deacon 1907. Elder.

Weir, Samuel, entered itinerancy Detroit 1882, full member 1884, transferred to Rock River 1887, to Dakota 1910. Deacon 1884. Elder 1886.

Wilber, T. B., entered itinerancy Northwest Indiana 1901, full member 1903, transferred to Dakota from St. John's River Conference 1910. Deacon 1903. Elder 1905.

Wilcox, C. E., entered itinerancy Dakota 1906, full member 1908. Deacon 1906. Elder 1908.

Willey, J. A., entered itinerancy West Wisconsin 1883, full member 1885, transferred to Dakota 1908, retired 1914.

Wilson, A. L., entered itinerancy Dakota 1909, probation 1911, full member 1914. Deacon 1914. Undergraduate.

Wood, John, entered itinerancy Dakota 1906, probation 1907, full member 1909, supernumerary 1914, effective 1915. Deacon 1909. Elder 1911.

Youngman, T. H., entered itinerancy Oneida 1865, transferred to Dakota 1891, supernumerary 1904, retired 1905. Deacon 1865. Elder 1867.

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS

Aberdeen District

| | | | |
|------------------|--------|-------------------|---------|
| Agar | \$ 200 | Mellette | \$ 100 |
| Ashton | 150 | Northville | 100 |
| Bristol | 100 | Rockham | 100 |
| Bowdle | 50 | Seneca | 200 |
| Cheney | 200 | Summit | 200 |
| Cresbard | 100 | Selby | 100 |
| Corona | 100 | Timber Lake | 200 |
| De Voe | 200 | Lemmon | 150 |
| Frederick | 200 | Westport | 200 |
| Gettysburg | 200 | Waubay | 200 |
| Langford | 100 | | |
| Leola | 200 | | |
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| | | | \$3,350 |

Mitchell District

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|------------------------------|--------|-------------------|---------|
| Colome | \$ 200 | Letcher | \$ 140 |
| Dallas | 240 | Springfield | 100 |
| Gregory | 100 | Virgil | 100 |
| Iona and Hamill..... | 270 | Winner | 290 |
| Herrick and St. Charles..... | 200 | New Work | 55 |
| Kimball | 100 | | |
| Lakeview Circuit | 200 | | <hr/> |
| Lane | 100 | | \$2,095 |

Rapid City District

| | | | |
|-------------------------|--------|------------------------|---------|
| Belle Fourche | \$ 200 | Piedmont | \$ 250 |
| Caputa and Creston..... | 250 | Philip and Quinn..... | 250 |
| Custer | 200 | Plainview | 300 |
| Draper | 200 | Sturgis | 200 |
| Fairburn | 250 | Sturgis Circuit | 225 |
| Harding | 200 | Presho and Vivian..... | 225 |
| Kadoka | 250 | Wall and Wasta..... | 300 |
| Kennebec | 300 | Terry | 200 |
| Midland and Hayes..... | 300 | Weta Interior | 250 |
| Murdo | 200 | Whitewood | 250 |
| Nowlin and Capa..... | 300 | District | 1,200 |
| Newell | 300 | | <hr/> |
| Oelrichs | 200 | | \$7,000 |
| Oral | 200 | | |

Sioux Falls District

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|-------------------|--------|----------------------------|---------|
| Alcester | \$ 100 | Lennox | \$ 100 |
| Colton | 75 | Sioux Falls—East Side..... | 200 |
| Chester | 150 | Irene | 125 |
| Centerville | 50 | Richland | 50 |
| Garretson | 75 | | <hr/> |
| Hudson | 100 | | \$1,025 |

Watertown District

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|-------------------------|--------|--------------------|---------|
| Blunt | \$ 100 | St. Lawrence | \$ 100 |
| Broadland | 100 | Wolsey | 100 |
| Bruce | 100 | Aurora | 100 |
| Castlewood | 100 | Esmond | 100 |
| Clear Lake | 100 | Pierre | 100 |
| DeSmet | 100 | | |
| Chappelle Circuit | 100 | | \$1,200 |

RULES OF EXAMINATION BY THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Members of the Board

Chairman.....A. E. Buriff, Huron, S. D.
 Vice-Chairman.....C. V. Gilliland, Mitchell, S. D.
 Registrar.....Albert Hartt, Lead, S. D.

H. W. Minish, A. E. Buriff, R. G. Minkler, C. E. Wilcox, O. W. Butterfield,
 C. V. Gilliland, J. P. Jenkins, H. G. Ozanne, T. B. Wilber, Albert Hartt,
 R. C. Shearer, A. W. Thurston.

Rules

1. The Board of Examiners, consisting of twelve members, shall be appointed, organized, and conducted according to the disciplinary plan, paragraph sixty-five of appendix.

2. SECTION 1. Only the midyear examinations and examinations at the seat of the annual conference shall be held, except that undergraduates conditioned upon any books may have the privilege of taking examinations upon said books at any time which may suit the convenience of respective examiners having charge of such books.

SEC. 2. Examinations in the following studies will be given at the mid-year meetings of ministerial associations or district conferences: Admission on trial, "Worker and His Bible," "Twenty-five Articles of Religion," "Life of Wesley."

First Year—"Jesus and the Gospel," "Preparation and Delivery of Sermons," "Winning the Fight Against Drink."

Second Year—"Hermeneutics," "The Bible, Origin and Nature," "How We Think," "Light of the World."

Third Year—"Christian Doctrine," "Fact of Conversion," "Sacerdotalism."

Fourth Year—"Social Engineer," "Christian Doctrine," "Theism."

3. "Elementary English" as a part of English branches in studies for admission on trial shall comprise English grammar, composition, literature, arithmetic, and simple accounting. Accounting shall cover such work as is required for making accurate official records, accounts, and reports. The work in English literature shall be of a grade equal to that required for admission to colleges approved by our University Senate. For the coming year examinations shall be upon the following:

1. For Intensive Study—Shakespeare's "Macbeth," Macaulay's "Life of Johnson."

2. For General Literary Study—The Old Testament, Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar."

3. For Reading—Dickens's "Tale of Two Cities," Lincoln's "Gettysburg" and two Inaugural Addresses, Gray's "Elegy in a Country Churchyard," Lowell's "Vision of Sir Launfal," Scott's "Lady of the Lake."

4. Candidates for local deacons' and local elders' orders shall conform to the requirement of the Discipline, Appendix, paragraph sixty-nine.

5. In case of the unavoidable absence of any examiner from the meeting of the board, he shall forward his list of questions to the chairman, who shall arrange for the examinations.

6. All essays and sermons shall be forwarded to the respective examiners at least one month before the date of the annual conference.

7. A copy of the plan, together with detailed schedule of studies and assignments of examiners, shall be printed in the Conference Journal.

8. The chairman shall arrange a schedule for the annual examinations.

9. No candidate shall be entitled to advance classification who has failed to pass in two books or subjects to be studied, or in three books to be read, or in one to be studied and two to be read; and no candidate shall be entitled to advanced classification until he has brought up the work in which he is delinquent.

10. The Board of Examiners shall be a permanent committee on the revision and amendment of the plans and methods here presented; but before they become valid, or are used or published by the board, all proposed changes shall be accepted by the conference.

11. It is the sense of the Board of Examiners that all men in good health be required to complete the course in the time prescribed. We further request the District Superintendents to see that the undergraduates on their respective districts comply with the above requirements.

12. All candidates desiring credits from any institution of learning are required to submit the record of such work to the Board of Examiners at the earliest possible opportunity. We suggest that no one defer the preparation of presented work while awaiting the action of the board.

UNDERGRADUATES IN CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY

| First Year | Second Year | Third Year | Fourth Year |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| C. C. Hanson..... | M. H. Sunderlin.. | P. V. Brethorst... | J. L. Walsh..... |
| H. D. Clark..... | J. W. Hartley.... | J. D. Evans..... | O. P. Jackson.... |
| A. L. Wilson..... | E. F. Lovett..... | B. F. Stiles..... | P. H. Weston.... |
| W. M. Allen..... | S. B. Lowrie..... | G. H. Book..... | L. W. Darling.... |
| A. G. Campbell... | H. B. Nash..... | N. A. Christensen. | Frank Tanner.... |
| W. S. Rowden... | | C. E. McDonald.. | A. L. Wilson.... |
| W. H. Evans..... | | S. W. Marble.... | C. B. Dennison... |
| C. M. Weirauch... | | B. I. Hubbard.... | |
| E. B. Cooney..... | | H. C. Alley..... | |
| C. D. Arms..... | | A. H. Beardsley.. | |
| C. W. Langdon... | | | |
| Lloyd Rising..... | | | |
| Leslie Davis | | | |
| O. M. Rifenbark.. | | | |

SCHEDULE OF CONFERENCE CLASSES AND EXAMINERS

| Examiners | Admission | First Year | Second Year | Third Year | Fourth Year |
|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| A. E. Buriff... | | Phelps-Merrill .. | | | |
| H. W. Minish... | | *Denney .. | *Speer | Patten | |
| T. B. Wilber.. | *Life of Wesley.. | | | *Sheldon | *Sheldon .. |
| Albert Hartt.. | Sermon | | *Dewey ... | Fisher | |
| J. P. Jenkins.. | *Eiselen & Barclay | *Broadus .. | Mott | | |
| A. W. Thurston | Discipline | American History | Essay | | |
| H. G. Ozanne. | English Branches. | | | | Steven |
| R. G. Minkler. | Hurlbut | | | *Jackson | Eiselen |
| C. V. Gilliland. | *Wheeler | Sermon ... | *Terry | Sermon | |
| R. C. Shearer. | | *Eaton | | *Sacerdotalism. | *Earp |
| C. E. Wilcox.. | | | *Dods | | Smyth |
| O.W.Butterfield | | | Meyer | | *Bowne Winchester |

*The books on which examinations are to be held midyear.

Journal of Session

FIRST DAY

Wednesday, October 6, 1915.

Opening—The thirty-first session of the Dakota Annual Conference convened in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Sioux Falls, S. D., Wednesday, October 6, 1915, Bishop William A. Quayle, D.D., LL.D., presiding. The conference joined in singing Hymn No. 530. The Bishop led in prayer and addressed the conference. At the request of the Bishop, Thomas Nicholson, assisted by W. G. Seaman, A. S. Loveall, R. C. Shearer, and Fred H. Ray, administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Roll Call—The secretary of the last conference called the roll and the following responded: T. S. Bassett, C. C. Boslaugh, O. E. Boyce, G. D. Brown, S. E. Brown, R. A. Bruce, P. O. Bunt, H. W. Bunton, A. E. Buriff, O. W. Butterfield, A. E. Carhart, H. L. Case, J. E. Crowther, C. B. Denison, W. N. Deller, J. B. Dibble, F. B. Dunn, H. P. Eberhart, J. H. Ebert, J. A. Edwards, G. D. Egner, Nels Fanebust, J. F. Franklin, G. N. Gage, C. V. Gilliland, C. H. Graf, C. E. Hager, I. M. Hargett, J. S. Harkness, C. B. Harrold, Albert Hartt, W. E. Hartung, J. S. Hoagland, A. J. Hoyer, R. B. Hughes, J. M. Hunter, E. E. Hunt, O. M. Hyde, O. P. Jackson, J. P. Jenkins, N. P. Johnson, P. J. Lawson, L. L. Layne, Harry Lee, F. F. Lewis, A. S. Loveall, E. O. Machemer, A. C. MacLean, C. E. Matteson, G. T. Matthews, R. G. Minkler, F. E. Morrison, H. W. Minish, B. W. McEldowney, J. E. McKinney, Thomas Nicholson, M. E. Nickerson, G. T. Notson, H. G. Ozanne, F. C. Page, J. W. Potter, Fred Rawlinson, F. H. Ray, W. O. Redfield, Ernest Redmayne, H. E. Rice, G. W. Rosenberry, E. E. Saxton, W. G. Seaman, R. C. Shearer, W. S. Shepherd, S. H. Shurtleff, W. P. Slocum, J. T. B. Smith, S. F. Spitz, Frank Tanner, O. W. Taylor, A. W. Thurston, J. M. Tibbetts, T. B. Wilbur, C. E. Wilcox, P. H. Weston, A. L. Wilson, A. Jamison.

Probationers—Nels Christensen, C. W. Langdon, E. F. Lovett, S. B. Lowrie, S. W. Marble, C. E. McDonald, H. B. Nash, W. S. Rowden, C. M. Weirauch, L. M. Rising.

Question Two—Who have been Transferred, and from what Conference? was taken up. Willis N. Graves was announced as transferred from the Des Moines Conference, and O. M. Freeman from the Northwest Kansas Conference.

Question Fifteen—Who have been Transferred, and to what Conference? was taken up. E. E. Prescott, a probationer of the first year, was announced as transferred to the Upper Iowa Conference, and J. F. Gibson to the Des Moines Conference.

Question Sixteen—Who have Died? was taken up. The conference stood while the names of Duane Rifenbark, R. N. Kratz, and Ernest Holgate were read by the secretary of the conference as having died during the year.

Organization—On motion of G. W. Rosenberry, G. D. Brown was reelected secretary, and on his nomination, I. M. Hargett, H. P. Eberhart, and F. E. Morrison were elected assistant secretaries.

On motion of F. E. Morrison, C. B. Harrold was elected statistical secretary, and on his nomination, F. C. Page, S. H. Shurtleff, H. W. Bunton, W. P. Slocum, and E. O. Machemer were elected assistant statisticians.

On motion of J. S. Harkness, J. M. Hunter was reelected treasurer, and on his nomination H. E. Rice, R. C. Shearer, J. H. Ebert, B. W. McEldowney, and A. W. Thurston were elected assistant treasurers.

O. M. Hyde was reelected postmaster.

On motion of C. E. Matteson, J. T. Gurney was elected reporter for the Christian Advocates, except the *Northwestern Christian Advocate*.

On motion of J. T. B. Smith, E. F. Lovett was elected reporter for the city papers and for the *Northwestern Christian Advocate*.

Conference Bar—The conference bar was fixed to include the center block of pews in the main auditorium.

Time of Meeting—The conference voted to follow the printed program for hours of the regular business sessions.

Question Fourteen—Was the Character of each Preacher Examined? was taken up. The Bishop called the roll of the entire membership of the conference, and the character of each was passed.

The conference referred all candidates for reception on trial and for admission into full membership; the entire list of the supernumerary preachers; the following special cases: C. M. Weirauch, B. I. Hubbard, and Arthur Rhinearson, and the following who desire change of relation: W. E. Gale, J. R. Payne, A. S. Loveall, R. C. McReynolds, F. M. Faith, to the Committee on Conference Relations.

On motion of Thomas Nicholson the following Committee on Courtesies was elected: J. S. Hoagland, W. O. Redfield, A. S. Loveall, J. T. B. Smith, T. B. Wilber.

On motion of Thomas Nicholson the following Committee on General Reference was elected: S. E. Brown, W. P. Slocum, T. S. Bassett, R. A. Bruce, and W. J. Calfee.

Draft—On behalf of the Board of Conference Claimants, a draft for \$250 was presented to the conference by John T. Brabner Smith, which was received by the treasurer of the conference.

Revision—The list of standing committees was revised as follows: Committee on Education, the name of R. G. Minkler was substituted for E. A. Bennett, who is absent, and the name of J. E. Crowther was added.

On Conference Relations, C. E. Wilcox was substituted for Ernest Holgate, deceased.

Assistant Railroad Secretaries—On motion of E. E. Hunt, C. E. Wilcox and W. T. Loomis were elected assistant railroad secretaries.

Aberdeen District—J. S. Harkness, District Superintendent of the Aberdeen District, was called, and he read his report.

On motion of A. E. Buriff the pastors were required to report on collections taken, ministerial support prorated, and number of accessions to the Church.

The charges of the Aberdeen District were called and the pastors present gave their reports.

Introduction—The Rev. E. Robb Zaring, editor of the *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, was introduced, and he addressed the conference.

Special Committee—On motion of J. E. Crowther, C. E. Hager, O. W. Taylor, A. W. Thurston, F. F. Lewis, and J. E. Crowther were constituted a committee to take under consideration the matter of providing a ministerial emergency fund.

Evangelism—On motion of G. D. Brown the following were elected a Committee on Evangelism: I. M. Hargett, R. A. Bruce, R. C. Shearer, J. M. Tibbetts, and H. P. Eberhart.

Special Orders—On motion of Thomas Nicholson eleven o'clock Friday morning was fixed as the time for electing delegates to the General Conference.

On motion of Thomas Nicholson the matter of federating the conference interests was referred to the following commission: P. O. Bunt, J. S. Hoagland, J. W. Potter, C. H. Graf, H. W. Minish, C. E. Hager, A. E. Buriff, F. H. Ray, and a special session of the conference was ordered for Thursday at 4 o'clock P. M. to hear the report.

Greetings—On motion of Thomas Nicholson the secretary of the conference was instructed to send greetings and the sympathy of the conference to Bishop Luccock.

Mitchell District—W. S. Shepherd, District Superintendent of the Mitchell District, was called, and he read his report.

Committees were called, announcements were made, and the conference adjourned, with the benediction pronounced by Dr. C. M. Boswell.

SECOND DAY

Thursday, October 7, 1915.

The conference convened at 8:30 A. M. Thursday, October 7, 1915, Bishop Quayle conducting the devotional exercises.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

On motion, J. T. Gurney was substituted for C. G. Wagoner on the Home Missions and Church Extension committee.

Mitchell District—The charges of the Mitchell District were called, and the pastors present gave their reports.

Memorial Service—The order of the day was taken up, John Kaye presiding. Hymn No. 508 was sung, and W. O. Redfield led in prayer. The following memorial addresses were made: By J. P. Jenkins for Duane Rifenbark, Mrs. Thomas Nicholson, and Mrs. W. E. Hartung; by J. S. Hoagland for R. N. Kratz; by J. S. Harkness for Ernest Holgate and Mrs. J. W. Bowler; by C. E. Hager for Mrs. Hartung; by C. E. Matteson and H. W. Minish for Mrs. R. C. McReynolds. The service closed with singing, "The Sweet By and By," and a short prayer by John Kaye.

Question Eight—Who have been admitted into full membership? was taken up. Samuel W. Marble, Charles E. McDonald, and Nels Christensen were admitted to full membership, elected to deacon's orders, and advanced to the studies of the third year.

Question Six—Who have been continued on trial? was taken up. John W. Hartley, Evan F. Lovett, and Marion L. Sunderlin were continued on trial in the studies of the second year.

Harry B. Nash and Samuel Lowrie were continued on trial and advanced to the studies of the second year.

Wm. H. Evans, Wm. S. Rowden, Arthur G. Campbell, C. M. Weirauch were continued on trial in the studies of the first year.

Question Seven—Who have been discontinued? was taken up.

- Thos. Ratcliffe and W. J. McClarinon were discontinued at their own request.

On motion of G. T. Notson the district superintendents were instructed to inform the delinquent undergraduates that if their studies were not brought up next year they might be discontinued.

Question Eleven—What members have completed the Conference course of study? was taken up. Ernest Redmayne and Harry E. Rice were graduated from the course of study and elected to elder's orders.

Question Ten—What members are in the studies of the fourth year? was taken up. Leroy W. Darling, Perley H. Weston, Orrin P. Jackson, and John L. Walsh were continued in the studies of the fourth year.

Draft—The Bishop announced a draft from the Book Concern to this Conference for \$2,428 and it was turned over to the treasurer.

Addresses—Dr. Charles M. Boswell, corresponding secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, was introduced and he addressed the Conference.

The Bishop addressed the Conference on the subject, "The Raid on Personality."

Dr. Wilbur F. Sheridan, general secretary of the Epworth League, was introduced and he addressed the Conference.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson the special session of the Conference called for this afternoon at four o'clock was postponed to Friday at 4 P. M.

The name of J. M. Tibbetts was substituted for F. M. Faith on the Committee on Foreign Missions.

Introductions—The Bishop introduced the Rev. Charles B. Tupper, pastor of the First Christian Church of this city, and the Rev. W. E. Roberts, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Committees were called, announcements were made, and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Thos. Nicholson.

THIRD DAY

Friday, October 8, 1915.

The Conference convened Friday, October 8, 1915, at 8:30 A. M., Bishop Quayle conducting the devotional exercises.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

District Reports—C. E. Mattison, superintendent of the Rapid City District, read his report.

The charges of the Rapid City, Sioux Falls, and Watertown Districts were called and the pastors present gave their reports completing the call of all the charges of the Conference.

G. W. Rosenberry, superintendent of the Sioux Falls District, was called and he read his report.

On motion of G. W. Rosenberry, G. N. Gage was elected solicitor for the *Methodist Review*.

The Bishop questioned the district superintendent concerning paragraph 181 of the Discipline.

R. N. Holsapple, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of South Dakota, was introduced and he addressed the Conference.

Question Four—Who have been received on credentials? was taken up. B. I. Hubbard was received from the Free Methodist Church as a full member, he was recognized on his credentials as a deacon, and placed in the studies of the third year.

W. T. Loomis was received on his credentials from the Christian Church as a full member, recognized as a deacon, and passed in the course of study.

On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations F. M. Faith was requested to locate at the next session of Conference.

Question Twenty-five—Who are the triers of appeals? was taken up. J. S. Ellis, J. P. Jenkins, J. B. Dibble, R. A. Bruce, C. E. Hager, W. T. Ferguson, W. P. Slocum were announced as triers of appeals.

Admission—The class for admission into full membership, consisting of Chas. E. McDonald, Samuel W. Marble, and Nels A. Christensen, were called forward, answered the disciplinary questions, and were received into the Conference.

Delegates—The Conference proceeded to ballot for delegates to the General Conference. On request of the Bishop the secretary announced that the Dakota Conference was entitled to three delegates.

On motion of I. M. Hargett the following tellers were elected: Albert Hartt, R. A. Bruce, L. A. McDonald, W. T. Ferguson, H. W. Bunton.

The secretary of the Conference appointed H. P. Eberhart as secretary to the tellers.

Transfer—The Bishop announced the transfer of Henry C. Alley from the Northwest Indiana Conference.

On motion of G. T. Notson the Conference voted to require a majority of votes cast for the election of delegates.

The ballot was then taken and the tellers retired.

Question Twenty-two—What other personal notation should be made? was taken up. E. E. Hatfield was recognized as a local elder on his credentials from the Free Methodist Church.

Question Twelve—What others have been elected and ordained deacons? was taken up. Ralph E. Rich was granted local deacons' orders.

On motion of J. S. Harkness, Scott P. Hauser was elected to elders' orders under the missionary rule.

Introductions—Mr. G. W. Miller, state secretary of the South Dakota Sunday School Association, was introduced and he addressed the Conference.

The Rev. S. H. Kirkbride, secretary of the American Bible Society, was introduced and he addressed the Conference.

First Ballot—The tellers announced the result of the first ballot as follows: Total number of votes cast, 113; necessary to a choice, fifty-seven. Dr. Thos. Nicholson received ninety-nine votes and was declared elected.

There being no other election, another ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

Watertown District—O. E. Boyce, superintendent of the Watertown District, read his report.

On his request O. E. Boyce was authorized to exchange our church property at Kampeska, not including the farm, for the Evangelical Church property at Miller.

Miss Williams, deaconess from the Helping Hand Mission, Sioux City, Ia., was introduced and she addressed the Conference.

Second Ballot—The tellers announced the result of the second ballot. Total number of votes cast, 107; necessary to a choice, fifty-four. J. S. Hoagland received seventy-four votes and was declared elected. There being no other election, another ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

The Rev. John T. Brabner Smith, editor of the *Veteran Preacher* and all other publications of the Board of Conference Claimants, was introduced to the Conference.

Third Ballot—The tellers announced that there was no election. Another ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson the report of the Committee on Education was made the order of the day immediately after the reading of the Journal at this afternoon session.

On motion of H. G. Ozanne the matter of where the next Conference shall be held was made the order of the day for 10 A. M. to-morrow.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson to-morrow morning, immediately after the reading of the Journal, was fixed as the time when the Conference should hear the report of the commission on federating the Conference interests with a joint session of ministers and laymen with a request that the Bishop address them.

Fourth Ballot—The tellers announced the result of the fourth ballot. Total number of ballots cast, 107; necessary to a choice, fifty-four. J. S. Harkness received sixty-five votes and was declared elected.

Committees were called, announcements were made, and the Conference adjourned with the benediction pronounced by Dr. J. P. Jenkins.

THIRD DAY

Afternoon Session

Friday, October 8, 1915.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday's session the Conference convened at 4 P. M., Friday, October 8, 1915, Bishop Quayle presiding.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

J. E. Crowther read the report of the Committee on Ministerial Emergency Fund, which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Education was read by J. S. Hoagland. W. G. Seaman, Thos. Nicholson, and J. P. Jenkins addressed the Conference and the report was adopted.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson a committee, consisting of L. L. Layne, R. E. Tarleton, W. E. Hartung, C. H. Graf, and W. O. Redfield, was appointed to take under consideration the unpaid notes to the Conference Claimants' Endowment Fund and report at to-morrow's session.

Question Ten resumed—Anthony L. Wilson was advanced to the studies of the fourth year conditioned on one study.

Frank Tanner and C. B. Dennison were advanced to the studies of the fourth year.

Question Six resumed—Leslie Davis, E. E. Prescott, Charles W. Langdon, Edward B. Cooney, Clinton D. Arms, Olin M. Rifenbark, and Lloyd M. Rising were continued in the studies of the first year.

Scott P. Hauser was graduated from the course of study.

Reports—The following reports were read and adopted: On Epworth League, Sabbath Observance, Foreign Missions, Freedmen's Aid, Church Literature, Auditing Treasurer's Accounts, and American Bible Society.

On motion of F. H. Ray a special committee to arrange for district Epworth League conventions, consisting of district Epworth League presidents and the district superintendents.

Miss Helen Wood, acting superintendent of the Brookings Deaconess Hospital, was introduced and she addressed the Conference.

Reserve Delegates—The Conference proceeded to ballot for reserve delegates to the General Conference. The first ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson the memorials and constitutional amendments were made the order of the day between the hours of 10 A. M. and 12 M. to-morrow at the convenience of the Bishop.

First Ballot—The tellers announced that there was no election. Another ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

Introductions—Willis N. Graves and Henry C. Alley, recently transferred to this Conference, were introduced.

On motion of J. E. McKinney the balance in the treasury, belonging to the Conference fund, was ordered transferred to the publishing fund.

Question Twenty-three—Who are the supernumerary preachers? was taken up. W. J. Douglass, J. D. Evans, W. A. Greene, J. E. Norvell, and C. M. Stebbins were continued in the supernumerary relation.

W. E. Hartung, B. F. Stiles, W. E. Gale, and G. H. Book were granted the supernumerary relation.

John Wood and J. R. Payne were granted the effective relation.

W. J. Waltz was continued in the supernumerary relation with a request to locate.

Second Ballot—The tellers announced the result of the second ballot for reserve delegates to the General Conference. O. E. Boyce received a majority of all votes cast and was declared elected.

Another ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

Question Twenty-four—Who are the retired preachers? was taken up D. W. Chamberlain, C. B. Clark, E. E. Dean, W. D. Deeble, W. O. Gram, W. I. Graham, J. G. Hall, Lewis Hartsough, O. A. Phillips, Archibald Jamison, Thomas Simmons, A. E. Tanner, J. A. Willey, T. H. Youngman, G. J. Corwin were continued in the retired relation.

A. S. Loveall and R. C. McReynolds were granted the retired relation.

Third Ballot—The tellers announced the result of the third ballot for reserve delegates to the General Conference. G. T. Notson receiving the majority of all votes cast was declared elected.

Question Twenty-two resumed—On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations, Herbert Humble was recognized as a local elder on his credentials from the Apostolic Union.

Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the benediction pronounced by J. T. Gurney.

FOURTH DAY

Saturday, October 9, 1915.

The Conference met at 8:30 A. M. Saturday, October 9, 1915, Bishop Wm. Quayle presiding. The Bishop led in prayer, but deferred the Scripture reading until the laymen who were to meet jointly with this body this morning shall come in.

The minutes of the previous session were read, corrected, and approved.

The transfer of J. L. Seaton to the California Conference was announced.

Introductions—The Rev. Wm. S. Bovard, superintendent of the adult department, Board of Sunday Schools, and general secretary of the Methodist Brotherhood, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interests of the Board of Sunday Schools.

Select Number—The following select number to hear the case of M. R. Crisp with a view to his location was appointed by the Bishop: G. T. Notson, chairman; R. G. Minkler, L. L. Layne, T. B. Wilber, H. W. Minish, S. H. Shurtleff, A. C. MacLean, R. E. Tarleton, Nels Fanebust, and Paul Gardner.

The secretary of the Conference appointed H. P. Eberhart to act as secretary to the select number.

Lay Conference—Thos. Nicholson and F. F. Lewis were appointed by Bishop to receive the Lay Electoral Conference.

The Bishop then read Ephesians 4:31, 32 and addressed the joint session.

The General Conference delegates, both lay and ministerial, were introduced and the chairman of each, Thos. Nicholson for the ministers and Willis T. McConnell for the laymen, addressed the Conference.

Order of the Day—Thos. Nicholson read the report of the commission on federating the Conference interests which was considered item by item, amended by striking out the clause which referred to restricting the territory of the Brookings Hospital campaign to Brookings and Brookings County, and on motion of R. A. Bruce the report, as amended, was adopted as a whole.

In the consideration of this report A. T. Downey, Bishop Quayle, and J. T. B. Smith addressed the Conference in the interest of the Conference Claimants' Fund.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson a commission to be appointed by the cabinet for general management of this federation of Conference interests matter was ordered.

The laymen then withdrew for their own work.

R. G. Minkler presented a memorial from the Watertown District on mortuary benefit, and on motion of J. P. Jenkins this memorial was referred to the Commission on Ministerial Emergency Relief Fund.

Introduced—Clark C. Gibbs, representing the Sunday School Union, was introduced to the Conference.

Reports—The following reports were read and adopted: On Home Missions and Church Extension, Auditing Superintendents' Accounts, Rapid City Hospital, Hospital Commission, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and Deaconess Board of Nine.

University Trustees—The following were elected trustees of the Dakota Wesleyan University for the term that expires in 1919: Charles D. Liddle, Iroquois, S. D.; S. E. Morris, Mitchell, S. D.; D. F. Jones, Watertown, S. D.; G. F. Knappen, Brookings, S. D.; W. S. Shepherd, Mitchell, S. D.; C. E. Hager, Kennebec, S. D.; J. M. Johnston, Bradley, S. D.; W. G. Seaman, Mitchell, S. D.; Lauritz Miller, Mitchell, S. D.

The Dakota Wesleyan Quartet was presented to the Conference and sang three selections to the great delight of those present.

Question Five—Who have been received on trial? was taken up. Chriss C. Hanson, Albert L. Olson, Harry D. Clark, and Wm. N. Allen were received on trial and placed in the studies of the first year.

The Bishop announced that there would be no draft from the Chartered Fund this year.

Excused—E. E. Holmes and J. T. B. Smith were excused from further attendance upon the Conference.

Committees were called, announcements made, and on motion of J. W. Potter the Conference adjourned to meet at 3 P. M. to-day. The benediction was pronounced by the secretary of the Conference.

FOURTH DAY

Afternoon Session

Saturday, October 9, 1915.

Pursuant to the order of the morning session the Conference met at 3 P. M. Saturday, October 9, 1915, with Bishop Quayle presiding.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The secretary of the cabinet, J. S. Harkness, read the list of standing committees which were elected.

The select number announced the location of M. R. Crisp.

Evangelism—W. J. Calfee read a resolution on evangelism, which was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That we continue with increased zeal the old-time business of Methodist preachers—seeking the lost and straying ones, guiding the tender feet of the little ones in the right path, building up the church of Jesus Christ in righteousness and true holiness and so spread scriptural holiness throughout the Conference and the world; doing this at any cost. As to

methods following in the paths our fathers have trod with an open mind and vision to accept any suggestions from our recognized sources of authority on evangelism.

Woman Suffrage—On motion of W. S. Shepherd the declaration of the Conference of 1913 regarding woman suffrage was reaffirmed.

Memorials and Amendments—The Committee on General Reference read its report and the recommendations of the committee were considered item by item as follows:

1. The memorial from Philadelphia Conference to limit the pastoral term was unanimously rejected.
2. The Colorado amendment, providing for the enfranchisement of those residing outside the bounds of their Conference, resulted as follows: Ayes, sixty-eight; Noes, six.
3. The resolution from the National Reform Association relating to Mormonism was unanimously adopted.
4. The memorial from the North Montana Conference concerning the creation of a Board of Connectional Relief was voted upon with the following result: Ayes, none; Noes, seventy.
5. The Ohio Conference memorial concerning legislation to prohibit General Conference officers from being members of the General Conference was voted upon with the following result: Ayes, none; Noes, seventy-two.
6. The Mississippi Conference amendment concerning bishops for particular races and languages was voted upon with the following result: Ayes, seventy-four; Noes, three.
7. The Wilmington Conference amendment making the Board of Bishops a supreme court was voted upon with the following result: Ayes, none; Noes, seventy-four.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, There is a general and increasingly intense feeling among our people for a reunited Methodism; and

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with great unanimity voted in favor of a plan of union; therefore

Resolved, That while it seems to be conceded by the leaders of both churches that the plan as now before the churches is not final and not satisfactory in all particulars, nevertheless we think we see in it the fundamental principles of a satisfactory basis of union; therefore

Resolved Further, That, in our judgment, there are paramount reasons why these churches should be brought together at the earliest possible date and we earnestly pray that the forthcoming General Conference shall give the matter sympathetic consideration and seek sincerely to find a satisfactory basis and appoint the necessary commission who shall help to consummate this movement, if possible, not later than the General Conference of 1920.

Introduction—Mr. Elmer Yelton, executive secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, was introduced.

Question Thirty-six—Where shall the next Conference be held? was taken up. Invitations were received from Deadwood, Pierre, and Watertown, and on voting Watertown was selected as the next place of meeting. On motion of J. M. Tibbetts the vote was made unanimous.

Reports—The following reports were read and adopted: Conference Board of Stewards, Sunday Schools, Hospitals, Conference Claimants, Temperance.

Greetings—Greetings were received from the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in session at Huron, S. D., and on motion of J. A. Edwards the

secretary was requested to return the favor and send greetings to the Northwest Iowa Conference.

On motion of A. E. Carhart the Conference voted its thanks to W. I. Graham for waiving his claim on the Conference Claimants' Fund.

J. E. Crowther addressed the Conference in the interests of the *World Outlook*.

The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The nation is passing through a great and troublesome period in its history, and is at peace while other nations are at war.

Resolved First, That the Dakota Conference expresses its heartiest sympathy with and congratulations to President Woodrow Wilson and pray God's richest blessing and guidance may continue to rest upon our beloved President.

Resolved Second, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the secretary of the Conference to the President of the United States.

(Signed) J. T. B. SMITH,
THOS. NICHOLSON,
J. S. HOAGLAND,
J. A. EDWARDS.

On motion of G. T. Notson, G. D. Brown, and J. M. Hunter were elected publishers of the Conference minutes.

On motion of G. D. Brown the printed minutes were made the official journal of the Conference.

On motion of J. S. Harkness the missionary appropriations were ordered printed in the minutes.

On motion of R. A. Bruce the treasurer's and statistical secretary's reports were ordered printed in the minutes without being presented to the Conference.

On motion of A. E. Buriff, E. E. Hunt was reelected railroad secretary.

*On motion of O. E. Boyce the Bishop's letter to the quarterly conferences was ordered printed in the minutes.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Albert Hartt and was adopted.

On motion of G. T. Notson it was ordered that after the legal session, the reading of the minutes of this session and the reading of the appointments by the Bishop, the Conference stand adjourned.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

Legal Session—The Conference resolved itself into a legal session. The following trustees were elected for the term of three years: A. C. MacLean and G. T. Notson.

W. S. Shepherd, president; M. E. Nickerson, secretary; and A. E. Carhart, treasurer, were confirmed as officers of the board.

The legal session then adjourned.

On Sunday afternoon, October 10, 1915, after the ordination and baptismal services the Bishop read the appointments of the preachers and the Conference stood adjourned without date.

WILLIAM A. QUAYLE, *Presiding Bishop*.
G. D. BROWN, *Secretary*.

*This letter was not received by the secretary in time for publication in the minutes.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This is to certify that at Sioux Falls, S. D., on Sunday, October 10, 1915, upon the election of the Dakota Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, I ordained as deacons: Nels A. Christensen, Samuel W. Marble, Charles E. McDonald, and Ralph E. Rich; and at the same time and place, assisted by elders, I ordained as elders: Ernest Redmayne and Harry E. Rice.

WILLIAM A. QUAYLE,
Presiding Bishop.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. **Is this Annual Conference incorporated according to the requirement of the Discipline?**
Yes.
2. **Who have been received by transfer, and from what Conference?**
Henry C. Alley, Northwest Indiana; O. M. Freeman, Northwest Kansas; Willis N. Graves, Des Moines.
3. **Who have been readmitted?**
None.
4. **Who have been received on credentials, and from what churches?**
Benjamin I. Hubbard, Free Methodist; W. T. Loomis, Christian.
5. **Who have been received on trial?**
 - (a) In studies of first year.
Wm. M. Allen, Harry D. Clark, Chriss C. Hanson, Albert L. Olson.
 - (b) In studies of third year.
None.
6. **Who have been continued on trial?**
 - (a) In studies of first year.
Clinton D. Arms, Arthur G. Campbell, Edward B. Cooney, Leslie Davis, Wm. H. Evans, Charles W. Langdon, Olin M. Rifenbark, Lloyd M. Rising, Wm. S. Rowden, C. M. Weirauch.
 - (b) In studies of second year.
John W. Hartley, Evan F. Lovett, Samuel B. Lowrie, Harry B. Nash, Marion L. Sunderlin.
 - (c) In studies of third year.
None.
 - (d) In studies of fourth year.
None.
7. **Who have been discontinued?**
Walter J. McClarinon and Thos. Ratcliffe.
8. **Who have been admitted into full membership?**
 - (a) Elected and ordained deacons this year.
Nels A. Christensen, Charles E. McDonald, Samuel W. Marble.
 - (b) Elected and ordained deacons previously.
None.
9. **What members are in studies of third year?**
 - (a) Admitted into full membership this year.
Nels A. Christensen, Charles E. McDonald, Samuel W. Marble, Benjamin I. Hubbard.
 - (b) Admitted into full membership previously.
Henry C. Alley, George H. Book, Arthur H. Beardsley, Peter V. Brethorst, John D. Evans, Benjamin F. Stiles.
10. **What members are in studies of fourth year?**
Leroy W. Darling, Charles B. Dennison, Orrin P. Jackson, Frank Tanner, Perley H. Weston, Anthony L. Wilson, John L. Walsh.

11. **What members have completed the Conference course of study?**
 - (a) Elected and ordained elders this year.
Ernest Redmayne and Harry E. Rice.
 - (b) Elected and ordained elders previously.
None.
12. **What others have been elected and ordained deacons?**
 - (a) As local preachers.
Ralph E. Rich.
 - (b) Under missionary rule.
None.
 - (c) Under seminary rule.
None.
13. **What others have been elected and ordained elders?**
 - (a) As local deacons.
None.
 - (b) Under missionary rule.
Scott P. Hauser, to be ordained in Chile.
 - (c) Under seminary rule.
None.
14. **Was the character of each preacher examined?**
This was done in open Conference.
15. **Who have been transferred, and to what conferences?**
J. F. Gibson, Des Moines; E. E. Prescott, Upper Iowa; J. L. Seaton, California.
16. **Who have died?**
Duane Rifembark, Reuben N. Kratz, Ernest Holgate.
17. **Who have been located at their own request?**
Arthur M. Ward.
18. **Who have been located?**
M. R. Crisp.
19. **Who have withdrawn?**
None.
20. **Who have been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints?**
None.
21. **Who have been expelled?**
None.
22. **What other personal notation should be made?**
E. E. Hatfield was recognized as a local elder on his credentials from the Free Methodist Church.
Herbert Humble was recognized as a local elder on his credentials from the Apostolic Union.
Scott P. Hauser, a probationer, was graduated from the course of study.

23. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?
G. H. Book (0), W. J. Douglass (3), J. D. Evans (4), W. E. Gale (0), W. A. Greene (1), W. E. Hartung (0), J. E. Norvell (3), C. M. Stebbins (2), W. J. Waltz (1), B. F. Stiles (0).
24. Who are the retired ministers?
D. W. Chamberlain, C. B. Clark, G. J. Corwin, E. E. Dean, W. D. Deeble, H. I. Farr, W. I. Graham, W. O. Gram, J. G. Hall, Lewis Hart-sough, A. Jamison, A. S. Loveall, O. A. Phillips, R. C. McReynolds, Thomas Simmons, A. E. Tanner, J. A. Willey, T. H. Youngman.
25. Who are the triers of appeals?
J. S. Ellis, J. P. Jenkins, J. B. Dibble, R. A. Bruce, C. E. Hager, W. T. Ferguson, W. P. Slocum.
26. What is the annual report of the Conference Board of Home Mis-sions and Church Extension?
\$6,885.
27. What is the annual report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?
\$10,642.
28. What is the statistical report?
See the statistician's report.
29. What is the Conference Treasurer's report?
See the Conference Treasurer's report.
30. What is the aggregate of the benevolent collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treas-urer?
\$44,590.
31. What are the claims on the conference fund?
\$10,121.
32. What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?
\$8,271. See report of Conference Stewards.
33. What is the five per cent of the amount raised for the support of conference claimants, and paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for connectional relief?
\$204.
34. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants?
\$5,487.
35. Where are the preachers stationed?
See list of appointments.
36. Where shall the next conference be held?
Watertown, S. D.

Appointments

ABERDEEN DISTRICT

1—P. O. Bunt, District Superintendent, Aberdeen, S. D.

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| 4 Aberdeen, O. W. Taylor. | 1 Groton, C. B. Harrold. |
| 1 Agar, C. D. Arms. | 2 Gettysburg, N. P. Johnson. |
| 2 Andover, L. L. Layne. | 4 Hecla, F. B. Dunn. |
| 3 Ashton, J. E. McKinney. | 2 Langford (Robert Hall). |
| 2 Bath and Putney (R. E. Rich). | 1 Leola (A. A. Bichell). |
| 1 Big Stone, W. T. Loomis. | 3 Mellette, F. C. Page. |
| 1 Bowdle (H. D. Gough). | 2 Milbank, F. E. Morrison. |
| 1 Bristol, A. M. Lott. | Northville, to be supplied. |
| 3 Britton, A. C. MacLean. | 1 Redfield, Albert Hartt. |
| 2 Claremont (J. R. Krins). | 2 Rockham, H. B. Nash. |
| 3 Conde, J. S. Ellis. | 1 Seneca (W. C. Strong). |
| 1 Corona, J. F. Franklin, John Wood. | 2 Selby (H. B. Gough). |
| 1 Cresbard (E. S. Parrott). | 1 Sisseton, J. H. Ebert. |
| Cheney, to be supplied. | 1 Summitt (Arthur Rhinearson). |
| DeVoe, to be supplied. | 1 Timber Lake, J. N. Oakley. |
| 1 Doland, R. C. Shearer. | 3 Waubay, E. E. Holmes. |
| 5 Frankford, C. C. Boslaugh. | 3 Webster, J. M. Hunter. |
| 1 Frederick, Ernest Redmayne. | 1 Westport (R. Sweeney). |
| 5 Faulkton, C. E. Wilcox. | 1 White Rock, C. W. Langdon. |

MITCHELL DISTRICT

6—W. S. Shepherd, District Superintendent, Mitchell, S. D.

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| 1 Alexandria, T. S. Bassett. | 1 Lakeview Circuit, J. T. Gurney. |
| 2 Alpena, R. B. Hughes. | 3 Lane, J. L. Walsh. |
| Armour (W. E. Gale). | 1 Letcher (W. N. Potter). |
| 2 Artesian, I. P. Potter. | 8 Mitchell, J. S. Hoagland. |
| 1 Bard and Riverside, C. C. Hanson. | Mitchell, Associate Pastor, to be supplied. |
| Bridgewater (Myron Redfield). | 3 Mount Vernon, W. T. Ferguson. |
| 1 Chamberlain, A. J. Hoyer. | 3 Plankinton, O. M. Hyde. |
| Colome (D. A. Savage). | 2 Platte, Paul Gardner. |
| 1 Dallas, A. L. Wilson. | 2 Roswell, E. F. Lovett. |
| 1 Dudley (C. D. Bennett). | 1 Springfield, J. W. Lucas. |
| 3 Ethan, G. D. Egner. | 6 Tripp, W. O. Redfield. |
| 1 Farmer, P. V. Brethorst. | 4 Tyndall, S. H. Shurtleff. |
| 1 Fulton, C. V. Gilliland. | 2 Virgil, Lloyd M. Rising. |
| 2 Geddes, B. W. McEldowney. | 1 Wagner, A. L. Olson. |
| 2 Gregory (H. D. Seastrand). | 6 Wessington Springs, I. M. Hargett. |
| 1 Herrick and St. Charles (James Richards). | 1 White Lake (C. S. Cox). |
| 1 Iona and Hamill (E. E. Hatfield). | 1 Winner, J. R. Payne. |
| 1 Kimball, F. L. Bromaghim. | 1 Woonsocket, T. B. Wilber. |

RAPID CITY DISTRICT

3—C. E. Matteson, District Superintendent. Rapid City, S. D.

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| 1 Belle Fourche (J. C. Baker). | 1 Oelrichs (C. O. Biggar). |
| 1 Caputa, P. H. Weston. | 2 Oral (L. F. Gillespie). |
| Custer, to be supplied. | 1 Phillip (R. J. Eling). |
| 2 Deadwood, J. M. Tibbetts. | Piedmont, to be supplied. |
| 2 Draper, B. I. Hubbard. | 4 Plainview, J. W. Hartley. |
| 4 Edgemont, P. J. Lawson. | 2 Presho, G. T. Matthews. |
| Fairburn, to be supplied. | 3 Rapid City, H. W. Minish. |
| Harding, to be supplied. | 1 Reliance (Fred Lonsdale). |
| 3 Hot Springs, H. L. Case. | 1 Spearfish, M. T. Habgood. |
| Kadoka, to be supplied. | Sturgis, to be supplied. |
| 3 Kennebec, C. E. Hager. | Sturgis Circuit, to be supplied. |
| 1 Lead, W. J. Calfee. | 1 Terry (W. J. Stevenson). |
| 2 Midland, C. M. Weirauch. | 1 Wall, E. J. Fish. |
| 2 Murdo, H. W. Bunton. | Weta, to be supplied. |
| 2 Newell, A. G. Campbell. | Whitewood, to be supplied. |
| Nowlin, to be supplied. | |

SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT

5—G. W. Rosenberry, District Superintendent, Sioux Falls, S. D.

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| 1 Alcester (Carl Harvey). | 1 Howard, L. W. Darling. |
| 3 Beresford, J. B. Dibble. | 1 Hudson (R. P. Harmon). |
| 2 Canistota, E. E. Saxton. | 2 Hurley, W. P. Slocum. |
| 3 Canton, A. W. Thurston. | 1 Irene, S. B. Lowrie. |
| 1 Centerville (Fred Wilcox). | 1 Junius, S. F. Spitz. |
| 3 Chester, Frank Tanner. | 2 Lennox, O. D. Jackson. |
| 1 Colman (Guy Wilkinson). | 3 Madison, G. D. Brown. |
| 2 Colton, J. D. Stevens. | 1 Montrose, C. E. McDonald. |
| 1 Davis (L. F. Brown). | 1 Richland (The Rev. Waters). |
| 1 Dell Rapids, W. A. Black. | 1 Parker, Nels Fanebust. |
| 1 Egan, N. A. Christensen. | 1 Salem, F. H. Ray. |
| 1 Elk Point, G. N. Gage. | 4 Scotland, John Kaye. |
| 1 Ellis (P. I. King). | Sioux Falls— |
| 1 Flandreau, W. N. Deller. | 5 First Church, J. W. Potter. |
| 21 Flandreau Circuit, D. C. Arms. | 1 East Side, S. E. Brown. |
| 1 Garretson, W. S. Rowden. | 1 Valley Springs, O. M. Rifenbark. |
| 3 Gayville, H. E. Rice. | 1 Vermilion, W. N. Graves. |
| 4 Harrisburg, O. P. Jackson. | 3 Wakonda, L. A. McDonald. |
| 3 Hartford, C. H. Graf. | 2 Yankton, H. P. Eberhart. |

WATERTOWN DISTRICT

6—O. E. Boyce, District Superintendent, Huron, S. D.

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| 6 Arlington, R. E. Tarleton. | 2 Hazel and Thoms, H. G. Ozanne. |
| Aurora, to be supplied. | 1 Harrold (G. A. Trodie). |
| 1 Bradley, Percy Kenderdine. | 1 Henry, E. O. Machemer. |
| 4 Brookings, R. A. Bruce. | 2 Highmore, A. E. Hocking. |
| 1 Blunt (G. A. Trodie). | 3 Hitchcock, S. W. Marble. |
| 1 Broadland (Fred Eberhart). | 3 Huron, A. E. Buriff. |
| 1 Bruce, O. M. Freeman. | 2 Iroquois, T. H. Trevithick. |
| 2 Burdette, H. D. Clark. | Kampeska, to be supplied. |
| 1 Castlewood (C. L. Prosser). | 1 Lake Preston, H. C. Alley and |
| 2 Carpenter, Harry Lee. | E. A. Bennett. |
| 3 Cavour and Pearl Creek (C. H. | 5 Miller, J. H. Kearton. |
| Bacon). | 1 Oldham (George L. Gee). |
| Chappelle Circuit, to be supplied. | Okobojo, to be supplied. |
| 3 Clark, O. W. Butterfield. | 1 Pierre, J. A. Edwards. |
| 2 Clear Lake, C. B. Dennison. | 1 St. Lawrence (Geo. W. Quayle). |
| 1 DeSmet (H. L. Williams). | 2 Tulare, W. M. Allen. |
| Elkton, to be supplied. | 3 Trenton, R. A. Bruce. |
| 1 Esmond (K. G. Mansveld). | 4 Watertown, F. F. Lewis. |
| 4 Florence (D. G. Radcliffe). | 2 White, M. E. Nickerson. |
| 4 Garden City, R. G. Minkler. | 1 Wessington, E. B. Cooney. |
| 4 Gary, Fred Rawlinson. | Wolsey, to be supplied. |

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Thomas Nicholson, corresponding secretary Board of Education, New York; W. G. Seaman, president; J. P. Jenkins, vice-president; C. V. Gilliland, dean, Dakota Wesleyan University; G. T. Notson, executive secretary South Dakota Methodist Hospital; J. O. Dobson, endowment commissioner Cornell College; L. L. Lane, conference Sunday School missionary; A. E. Carhart, conference temperance agent; Samuel Weir, professor in Simpson College; E. E. Hunt, work in Iowa Anti-Saloon League; Paul H. McBeth, work in Iowa Anti-Saloon League; J. S. Harkness, financial agent of Conference Claimants' Endowment Fund; J. T. B. Smith, editor of publications and the *Veteran Preacher* of Board of Conference Claimants—members of Mitchell Quarterly Conference.

J. E. Crowther, secretary department of income Board of Foreign Missions, member Wessington Springs Quarterly Conference.

A. P. Janes, Chaplain Battle Mountain National Sanitarium, member Hot Springs Quarterly Conference.

S. P. Hauser, missionary to Chile, member Aberdeen Quarterly Conference.

Leslie Davis, E. E. Vernon, W. H. Evans, Thomas Davies, M. L. Sunderlin, and A. H. Beardsley left without appointment to attend school.

Reports of District Superintendents

ABERDEEN DISTRICT

James S. Harkness, Superintendent

DEAR BISHOP AND BRETHREN:

We are compelled to record that the shadows have fallen upon some of our parsonage homes. In several cases, members of the pastor's family have been severely afflicted, and into some of our families death has been permitted to enter. In the list of the members of our conference who have been promoted from the Church militant to the Church triumphant are the names of two from the Aberdeen District this year.

Dr. Duane Rifenbark, one of our veteran preachers, was the first to respond to the call. He was a sterling man, of strong personality, a wise leader, a helpful counsellor, a sane reformer, a white-souled saint, the soul of honor. The love of man for man in friendship's highest bonds was in him most highly developed. He was a man of largest human sympathies, sweet and strong as heaven itself.

Ernest Holgate, after weeks of weakness, this genial, brotherly, lovable soul went home to the better land. He was a man of intense convictions, of brave and honest views of truth, which he defended with intensity of fervor and powerful argument. A clear and strong thinker, an indefatigable student, a virile preacher, a tireless and popular pastor, a devoted minister, a pure and true man. A man of God in whom everybody believed, greatly loved by the Church and the entire community. His ministry was eminently successful and helpful. His peaceful death a translation.

Mrs. Selina Bowler, wife of the Rev. J. W. Bowler, left us after a sojourn of less than a year in America. She was a beautiful character and of increasing helpfulness. Seldom do we find one more sincerely mourned among those with whom she lived and loved and labored and finally triumphed most gloriously.

Vivian Valira, infant child of the Rev. and Mrs. M. T. Habgood, after blossoming for a little while here, was transplanted to blossom in the paradise above.

Soon after conference our good brother, Thomas Simmons, met with a serious accident, which necessitated his going to the hospital for an operation. We are pleased to report that he made a good recovery.

Mrs. W. D. Deeble, Mrs. L. W. Darling, Mrs. L. F. Brown, Mrs. R. J. Eling, and Mrs. F. L. Bromaghim have undergone serious operations. The family of L. D. Harris has had much sickness during the year. James Hartt has been confined to his bed since he came to Redfield. Our prayers and sympathy for these. Especially to our dear Brother and Sister Bromaghim do we extend sympathy. Mrs. Bromaghim lies at the point of death, and possibly before this conference adjourns she will have gone to be with her Lord.

The Rev. W. T. Loomis and the Rev. Albert Hartt have with much acceptability supplied the work left vacant by the departure of Brothers Rifenbark and Holgate, and have found a warm place in the affections of the people whom they have served.

Bright sunshine has come with the advent of the following little ones: Opal Elizabeth Brown, Eleanor Gertrude Morrison, Valoris Vivian Layne, John Mark Ellis, Horace Walter Redmayne, Wesley Combs Franklin.

Bible School

We have 5,000 members in the Sunday School of the district, yet there is very much more to be accomplished in this most hopeful field of the work of the Church. While we delight in numbers, yet we rejoice more over the fact that the quality of work is constantly improving. For this we are greatly indebted to the Board of Sunday Schools and the helps of our own Church. The work of Brother Miller, state secretary of the South Dakota Sunday School Association, has been felt for good in many ways.

The grading of schools, the observing of rally days, decision days, the organization of men's Bible classes, the organization of home departments, and the work done by evangelistic as well as scholarly teachers are helping us to our ideal of having all the Church in the Bible School and all the Bible School in the Church.

Epworth and Junior Leagues

We have 746 members of the Epworth League and 300 Juniors. Mission study and Bible study classes have been organized, and are doing good work for our young people. Many of our Leagues are efficient forces in advancing the work of the Church, yet it is seldom that we hear of any conversions in the Epworth League meetings. We are constrained to say that in listening to the reports of these societies the principal item is that money has been raised for very worthy objects, and so numerous are they that one is led to believe that the League exists for revenue only. Our young people should be made to feel that they should be a great spiritual and evangelistic power rather than preëminently a financial organization. The Epworth League has a strong district organization, and held a profitable convention at Milbank.

Woman's Work

Woman's work has always been most successful, whether in the home or in the foreign fields, or as Ladies' Aid Societies for the local Church. Probably \$10,000 stands to the credit of the Ladies' Aids of the district, and at least \$2,500 for the home and foreign work as the financial result of the year's work. They not only make the parsonages comfortable, but are in many ways the pastor's assistant.

The following is a report as given at a quarterly conference:

"At the beginning of the year the society was divided into the following committees: Spiritual, Home Missionary, Social, Calling and Finance. They report for the year 427 calls, twenty-six notes and letters written, two and one half days and ten nights spent with the sick. Flowers, fruit, books, etc., sent to sick and shut-ins. Clothing sent to needy families thirteen times. Church has been decorated on special occasions, and strangers welcomed at Church services. A barrel of canned fruit is to be sent to Brookings Hospital. Much work has been done that cannot be reported."

This Church has a Tithers' Band, which may account for the fact that the Ladies' Aid Society does not put the emphasis on money raising.

Benevolences

The benevolences are well sustained. The majority of the charges will meet their apportionments, and the reports should show an increase in the total of all benevolences. We have paid our full apportionment for general conference expenses, and are the nineteenth district to be placed on the honor roll. Every pastor gave his enthusiastic support to the campaign for Dakota Wesleyan, and to them and not to the district superintendent should be given the credit for the excellent record made by the district.

Church Property

A single instance will tell the fact that a mortgage has been paid, but the great Husbandman alone knows how many days of toil and of sacrifice, and how many anxious hours have been given to cultivate the fields and gather the harvest. Aberdeen has now provided for their indebtedness, and now has a good church unincumbered. Ashton has let the contract for a remodeled church and full basement to cost \$3,000. The money is subscribed. Britton has installed a furnace in the parsonage and bathroom fixtures. Conde is to put in a basement in the church. Cresbard will pay off their parsonage debt. Frankfort has improved the church and put in a splendid basement. Seneca has painted the church and parsonage. Webster has gone and done likewise, the pastor spending part of his vacation at this work. Orient expended \$700 on church improvement. The church at Detroit has been paid for and dedicated. The church at Slatterwood was reshingled and painted. Westport has painted the parsonage and expended \$280 on church improvements. White Rock made extensive parsonage improvements and church repairs. Much work has been done that I will not take time to report.

Evangelism

Our pastors—Revival meetings have been held with varying results at Aberdeen, Ashton, Bristol, Claremont, Conde, Corona, Detroit, Twin Brooks, Cresbard, DeVoe, Doland, Frankfort, Frederick, Gettysburg, Lola, Milbank, Northville, Rockham, Seneca, Selby, Mound City, Sisseton, Peever, Timber Lake, Waubay, Summit, Webster, White Rock and Rosholt. The most successful of these was the one held at Aberdeen. The Churches were greatly benefited, and inspiration and new courage given to a campaign that put the second city of the state in the dry column.

The keynote to the great forward movement in which we are now engaged must be "pastoral evangelism." The normal minister is an evangelist. His chief business is not raising money or building churches, but is reaching unsaved people. His heart glows with intense passion for souls. He will discover mighty evangelistic forces in the membership of his Church. He will preach the doctrine that every true Christian has the spirit of the propaganda upon him, and that a Church member who is indifferent to the spread of Christ's kingdom is not a Christian at all. These forces of his Church he should lead and direct into the great harvest field. If the business ability represented in our official boards, the devotion represented in our Ladies' Aids and Woman's Missionary Societies, the talent represented in our Sunday School teachers, and the enthusiasm of our Epworth Leaguers could all be harnessed for soul-winning and baptized with the real fire of pentecost, what could not be done in our Church? The evangelistic note,

the most difficult note to strike and maintain, is becoming dominant in the pulpit. Thoroughgoing, sane, continuous, sympathetic evangelism is being demanded by the pew as the solvent for the ills of modern society. The supreme need is not for evangelistic methods, but for evangelistic men who dare to infuse the evangelistic motive into every department of life and Christian service.

Recapitulation

It has been said that the greatest soldier in the civil war was not Grant, or Sherman, or Sheridan, or Thomas, or any other great hero whom the nation and the world have crowned with honor, but the greatest soldier was the one who was courageous when no one was taking note of it, who was willing to dare and suffer and die for the cause in the ranks. Perhaps he is resting to-day in some unknown grave. We call him the common soldier. We might mention conspicuous instances of success on the district worthy of favorable mention. Yet I think the greatest hero of all may be found on some small charge, where amid great discouragements, where there is no inspiration except that which comes from the indwelling Spirit of God, and where there is no word of cheer except the benediction of the Master, some unnamed pastor is giving his best service, even giving his life for the honor of the King. His name or the name of the charge does not appear in the report of the district, but in the great review God will give him his rank and his crown.

I greatly appreciate the friendliness of all the members of the quarterly conferences as well as their confidence, which has been expressed by their willingness to follow almost without exception, according to their ability, any plans that have been laid before them for the strengthening of the work. I prize beyond estimate the hearty coöperation of my brothers, the pastors of the district, and the delightful fellowship which has universally existed between them and myself. And above all, blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places.

MITCHELL DISTRICT

W. S. Shepherd, Superintendent

BISHOP QUAYLE AND BRETHREN:

Time in its rapid flight has swept by another milestone, and the thirty-six pastors of Mitchell District have come up to another Annual Conference to present reports of the year's labors and receive their appointments for another year. The year on our district has been replete with earnest endeavor and some degree of success. The thirty-six men appointed by Bishop Luccock one year ago went cheerfully and hopefully to their charges, and with a few exceptions have continued until the close of the year. In January, the Rev. J. T. Brabner Smith was offered the position of editor of publications and of the *Veteran Preacher* with the Board of Conference Claimants in Chicago, and resigned as pastor of the Church at Wagner. The Rev. A. L. Olson, of the New England Conference, was secured to finish the year at Wagner and has rendered splendid service. The Rev. G. W. Prather left the pastorate at Winner in the middle of the year, and the Rev. J. R. Payne of Oregon, a supernumerary member of this conference, was asked to finish

the year on that strategic field. During the winter months the Rev. D. G. Evans left the Lakeview Circuit for a charge in Iowa, and the Rev. Arthur Rhinearson of the Free Methodist Church has done excellent work on that circuit the rest of the year. Brother Book resigned the pastorate at Kimball the beginning of July to engage in evangelistic work, and Kimball has been without a pastor since that date. The Rev. W. C. Leake accepted a position on a farm near Mitchell in the early spring, and Brother Carl Harvey, a student at the University, has finished the year's work at Farmer. Fulton was left to be supplied, and since May 1, Dr. C. V. Gilliland of the University has rendered most efficient service in supplying the Sunday work at that point. In the midst of influences and surroundings often hostile to Christ and His kingdom, these men have taught and toiled, have preached and prayed, have hoped and held fast to the promises of God, and by Divine help have won some trophies for the Master. We thank God that we are not defeated, but that we are making progress up the stream, we are rising higher, and this morning there is music in our souls and a song upon our lips.

God has been good to us, and has led us in ways that we knew not, yet we find that all His paths are peace. The health of the District Superintendent has never been better. No break has occurred in any parsonage circle and no dangerous illness has interrupted the year's work. However, at the present time, the Rev. H. D. Seastrand of Gregory is undergoing an operation in the hospital at Rochester, Minn. Our prayers ascend to the throne for his speedy and complete recovery.

I would like to name every pastor on the district and speak in detail of his services, for all have wrought well, but time forbids such individual mention. My associations with these noble and self-sacrificing men and women have made me more thankful than ever that I have a place in such a goodly company. They have not simply maintained the line of battle and held the forts along the frontier of this district of one hundred and ten to two hundred and forty miles in extent, but they have successfully pushed the war into Satan's empire at many points. Of the twenty-six towns east of the Missouri River, where Methodist Churches are located, twenty are now dry, many of these for the first time this year. We cannot say as much for the towns west of the river, where the spirit of lawlessness that so often characterizes the development of a new country is still somewhat prevalent. I believe our Methodist pastors, without an exception, present a solid phalanx, not of defensive, but of offensive tactics in our successful warfare upon the rum demon, and in 1916 we are going to do our part in putting this devil to death in South Dakota. In one fourth quarterly conference, when the question of the pastor's return for another year was under consideration, one official member said, in his characteristic way, "I don't believe anybody is kicking against the pastor except the whiskyites." And I replied, "Well, thank God that is a fine compliment to your pastor." Bishop Quayle consenting, this preacher will be returned to that charge for another year.

Now I realize that some of the more important things cannot be presented in tabulated statistical reports, such as the building of character, the establishment of faith, the unfolding of spiritual power and the ripening of those rich graces which are the fruits of the Spirit. In this vital work

our pastors have generally been very faithful. The climatic conditions during the winter and early spring were most unfavorable for any advanced work. Not in years have we had such deep snows. Over the western portion of the district, and especially in the Rosebud country, the snow lay three and four feet deep on the ground and drifted into the railroad cuts often to a depth of thirty feet. So deep was it in places that four engines on the Northwestern road could not push rotary snow-plows through until men had shoveled off the tops of the drifts. The result was that some places had to go into a state of hibernation until late in the spring. Public services were abandoned as impossible. Commercial traffic shared the same fate. Many country roads were closed, railroads were blockaded, trains were discontinued, and for successive weeks mails were cut off from all towns as well as rural districts. Then with excessive rains in the early summer came floods of water that were unprecedented. With such obstacles to overcome it is evident that little could be done in the way of revival meetings and pastoral visitations, or even in the usual Sabbath services. But the people were generally considerate and patient and made the best of these trying conditions, and in spite of the handicap some splendid work was done.

There have been some revivals on the district that were blessed of God in a goodly number of conversions and in the quickening of the Churches. While in some instances the results were not all that had been hoped for, yet we believe the way has been prepared for future successes. The largest number of conversions are reported from the following charges: Geddes 80, Mitchell 75, Alexandria 51, Artesian 20, Chamberlain 19, Alpena 18, Woonsocket 15, and Dallas and Herrick 10 each. Total number of conversions for the district, 540. It is true that in some few places the Churches are lacking in deep spiritual power, worldliness grows apace, and prayer meetings and class meetings languish, or are altogether wanting, but by a consecrated ministry, inspired more and more with the passion of the Christ, we hope to revive these waste places and cause them yet to blossom as the rose.

Many of our societies have been particularly active in improving church and parsonage property, such as repainting and papering, putting in new sidewalks, electric lights, basements and furnishings. Following are some of the results: Mitchell, \$500; Plankinton, \$350; Ethan, \$250; Herrick, \$170; Platte, \$163; Fulton, \$160; Alpena, \$140; Tripp, \$120; and Artesian, Colome, Tyndall, and Winner, \$100 each. The benevolent offerings will, I think, aggregate quite a good increase over last year, but will fall short of our expectations. The extreme lateness of the season, the continuous rains that have delayed threshing, and the two rainy Sundays that closed the conference year, have robbed our benevolences of many hundreds of dollars.

The Sunday Schools of the district are for the most part doing splendid work. Generally they use the supplies published by our Book Concern. The Senior and Junior Epworth Leagues of the district are not fully meeting our expectations. The ladies' societies are active and aggressive, and report very gratifying financial returns for their labors during the year. The spring meeting of our District Ministerial Association and the District Convention of the Epworth League were held in Alexandria, and were profitable and inspirational in the papers and addresses that were given. On the night of

January 24, fire of unknown origin destroyed our church and parsonage property at Roswell, the pastor and his family barely escaping with their lives. Insurance but partially covered the loss. The people bought a cosy bungalow cottage for a parsonage, and are now erecting a new church building.

Dakota Wesleyan University

The supreme educational interest of this conference is Dakota Wesleyan University. It is our own child. If we give it the place in our hearts and consciences it deserves, if we constantly keep this school and its advantages as well as its needs before our people as we should, so that it will adequately meet the pressing need for an educational institution that will draw and hold our Methodist young people, then it will increasingly become a power in the state and the nation and the world, commensurate with the denomination it represents, and will turn out from its halls hundreds of young people trained in intellect and consecrated in heart and in life to the promotion of the interests of our beloved Methodism. The new day in the educational world, the day of great institutions with great endowments, makes this task imperative. The fact is that the Christian emphasis in education was never more needed than to-day. The relation of the Christian College to the Christian ministry is evidence of this fact. Now and then men enter our ministry from state and other undenominational institutions, but the number is comparatively insignificant. If we are to have young men qualified and capable and consecrated entering our ministry, we must have schools which exalt Christ and the Church, for mark it well, ninety-two per cent of all those who enter the Methodist Episcopal ministry from any institution of learning come from denominational schools, and I understand that in the ministry of the Presbyterian Church the number is ninety-seven per cent.

Dakota Wesleyan has had another good year. Our genial, cultured, scholarly president, Dr. William Grant Seaman, is universally popular with ministry and laity. The canvass for the endowment campaign last spring made many friends for the institution and brought in for additional endowment the sum of \$127,431, enabling us to meet the conditions of the \$50,000 gift from the Rockefeller foundation fund. Dr. J. P. Jenkins, vice-president and field agent, has been abundant and efficient in labors during the year, and is now busy in collecting these pledges, which will soon be due. The total enrollment last year, including the college and summer school, was 506. The total number of graduates last June was forty-eight, distributed as follows: College twenty-one, Normal fourteen, Academy thirteen. The present scholastic year began auspiciously with an address by Dr. James S. Harkness, superintendent of the Aberdeen District. I was west of the Missouri River during those days and did not hear Dr. Harkness' address, but the reports that have come to me are in highest commendation of this splendid and inspiring message. The enrollment this year at the present time is 323, with eighty-four in the freshman class. Several changes have been made in the faculty this year that have been received with general favor, and will very substantially increase the efficiency of this strong teaching corps of twenty-eight members. We believe in Dakota Wesleyan University. It has a marvelous future. We have full confidence in the administration. We rejoice in the spiritual atmosphere that pervades all of the work of the institution, and that more and more its graduates are entering

the ranks of the ministry in the home field as well as the foreign, and we are here to say with all of the emphasis we can command that it deserves and ought to have the heartiest and fullest sympathy and coöperation of every Methodist preacher and layman within the bounds of Dakota Conference.

Personally, the year has been one of strenuous labors. I have traveled over 18,000 miles, preached 186 sermons, baptized thirty-seven persons, conducted 164 communion services, held 148 quarterly conferences, and given addresses on various occasions. I was grateful for the privilege during the summer of making a trip to California and visiting my two brothers and my mother, who live in that state. I have no desire, however, to transfer to the California Conferences, for Dakota Conference is good enough for me. The fellowship of the brethren of the district has been a great inspiration to my life. I have endeavored to be not so much their superior in office, as a helper and counselor in the work of the ministry. We have truly been brothers together. They have welcomed me to the best their homes afforded. They have opened my way to the hearts of their people, and coöperated in splendid fashion in conserving and promoting the highest interests of our beloved Church. I have much more to say, but time will not permit. Suffice it to say that the God of all grace has blessed us abundantly this year. "To Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus world without end. Amen."

RAPID CITY DISTRICT

C. E. Matteson, Superintendent

DEAR BISHOP AND BRETHREN:

The past year has been the shortest, and in some respects, I trust, the best year of my ministry.

One year ago Bishop Luccock appointed twenty-seven men to serve on Rapid City District, leaving several places to be supplied. Every man went at once to his charge and began the year in good earnest. It has been a year of intense human experiences; of shine and shadow, of joys and sorrows, of births and deaths, but in the goodness of God we come to-day to bring our reports.

Some difficulties are found in planning and pursuing an aggressive campaign on Rapid City District, peculiar to frontier conditions. The exodus of the settlers has continued at a diminishing rate this year. Heavy snows blocked the roads on the circuits during the winter, and excessive rains, swollen rivers, broken bridges, and almost impassable roads were the common experiences of spring and early summer. These conditions made revival work almost impossible.

Personal Notation

Brother C. G. Wagoner, pastor at Terryville and Central, died in May of pneumonia after a few days' illness. Brother Wagoner was an excellent man, a good preacher and singer, a devoted Christian, and we shall miss him. He was a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Conference of New York, and was supplying with us. The work at Terryville was attached to Lead, and Central to Deadwood for afternoon appointments.

In June the Rev. Albert Hartt, after a year and a half of an increasingly successful pastorate, was released from Lead and transferred to Redfield.

Dr. and Mrs. Calfee assumed the work at Lead for the summer, but so immediate was their success that the people petitioned the Bishop to appoint them permanently.

In June the Belle Fourche pulpit became vacant by the resignation of F. M. Faith, the pastor, who removed to Montana. In August the Rev. J. C. Baker was transferred to Belle Fourche from Boneita Springs. Every line of work has taken new life since the coming of the Rev. and Mrs. Baker.

Two new men in the persons of W. H. Craig for the nine point circuit at Sturgis, and W. E. Clark, with headquarters at Capa, assisting in the wide surrounding country there, came to us in May. Both are good men, and have high commendation from the people.

Improvements—Debts

Slowly but surely we are paying off church debts, adding improvements and planning new buildings. After more than two years in church building in a community fifty miles from a railroad, and in spite of four years of drouth conditions, our Church at Boneita Springs was dedicated with much rejoicing Sunday, July 25. Slowly and patiently the pastor, J. C. Baker, and people had labored on, paying little by little, donating much labor, and by the timely aid of outside friends of the pastor, at last this beautiful little prairie church was completed and dedicated with all money necessary to pay all bills raised, and enough has been received since to seat the church with opera chairs. Mrs. David C. Cook, boyhood Sunday School teacher of the pastor, gave \$150 to this enterprise.

At Fairburn, where R. C. McReynolds has just closed a gracious revival meeting, plans are under way for building a neat little church suitable to the community needs. All good things follow a work of grace.

The following is a partial list of improvements made and debts paid grouped together: Belle Fourche, \$80; Spearfish, \$67; Edgemont, \$350; Lead, \$1,000; Sturgis, \$145; Custer, \$100; Newell, \$700; Caputa, \$90; Hot Springs, \$500; Rapid City, \$315; Boneita Springs, \$250; Murdo, \$350; Kennebec, \$225.

The Societies

As from the beginning the Sunday School is the nursery of the Church, and her most fruitful field. Usually the frontier Sunday School is the forerunner of the Church. Enrollment and interest in the Sunday School work increases. The graded lessons are coming into general use. We need consecrated teachers and competent leadership here more than anywhere else.

We have few Junior Leagues, but I have never known better ones.

The Epworth Leagues are the joy of many pastors. Our young people are good Methodists and can be trusted in the midst of the prevailing tendencies of irreligious social life. A largely attended and very profitable District Epworth League Convention was held in July at Hot Springs.

The District Conference held at Rapid City in December last was very profitable. Nearly all the ministers were present. It was a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies are not many but are very much alive. The Home Society held its annual district meeting at Rapid City, September 18 and 19. The attendance was good, and the meeting was remarkable in that five of the national officers were present, having

stopped off on their way to the national convention which was held at Seattle the following week.

A page might be written of the Ladies' Aid Societies over the district. Their work is worthy of praise. Methodism could not prosper without these consecrated workers of the Church. Almost omnipresent, their good offices are found in many a Church and parsonage, in ministering to the sick and sorrowing and those in trouble. Often they bring up the last of the pastor's salary that he may go to conference paid in full.

Benevolences

The benevolences in most cases have been well looked after. I do not have the complete reports, but they will equal or exceed last year. Perhaps our pastors are not as interested as they should be, but no matter how sympathetic they may be, it is still difficult for Churches scarce able to pay their meager running expenses to respond to the wider calls.

The New Financial Plan

The new financial plan is being given an opportunity on the larger charges and with very satisfactory results. All the boards say it is the right system.

The Methodist Forward Movement

The Methodist Forward Movement meets with appreciation and consent among our laymen, and as fast as possible we are organizing for this evangelistic crusade. Brothers Calfee and Tibbetts are planning large things for all the mining centers of the district.

Federation

A Methodist Church has been organized at Reliance, and forty members have already been received by S. F. Spitz of Chamberlain, who has been acting pastor until conference. The Congregational people have occupied the field for several years, but by a neighborhood vote were requested to transfer their interest to the Methodists. Under the reciprocal exchange plan in operation among the various evangelical bodies in South Dakota, it has been arranged by the superintendents of the respective Churches that in exchange for Reliance property and field, the Congregationalists shall receive our property and field at Hill City. Thus, without serious friction, and we trust for the advancement of the kingdom of God, has a most delicate situation been adjusted in a spirit of Christian fellowship.

The Hospital

Again we bring greetings from the Methodist Deaconess Hospital at Rapid City to the Dakota Annual Conference. This, the third year of our service, has been the best in every respect. Outside the Church itself this is the one big, choice institution of Methodism in the Black Hills country. This being the only Protestant hospital west of the Missouri River in South Dakota, and the only Methodist hospital between Omaha, Colorado Springs and Montana, evidently we may supply a great need and have a large field for development. More than three hundred patients have been cared for during the past year, and forty weeks and four days of free service has been rendered to the families of our Methodist ministers. A large amount of charity work has been done; no sick person has been turned from our doors because of their poverty.

Our field secretary, J. A. Edwards, is concluding a very successful year. His work has been mostly on Rapid City district, securing funds and enlarging our circle of friends, who in turn become our best assets. We are just completing the installing of an electric elevator costing \$1,850, a memorial gift from Mr. J. S. Hoskins of Harding County.

Miss Wade, our superintendent, is fully competent for the multitude of duties devolving upon her. The trustees believe that "she hath come to the kingdom for such a time as this." Mothers safely trust their daughters in nurse training to this Christian woman, who carries them in her heart always. The patients spread the stories of her unflagging thought of them. The surgeons know that she will sacredly remember every detail.

Moral and Religious

Advance may be noted everywhere. Except on the outlying districts, where weather conditions forbade, revivals have been held. Accessions have been reported as follows: Belle Fourche, 12; Custer, 16; Kennebec, 28; Murdo, 28; Newell, 12; Reliance, 39; Wall, 9; Hot Springs, 40; Spearfish, 35; Rapid City, 36; Sturgis, 7; Deadwood, 18; Edgemont, 19; Fairburn, 50.

Temperance and the moralities of society have been moving forward to the satisfaction, perhaps to the surprise, of some who remember that the saloon and kindred evils have held high carnival since the discovery of gold in the Black Hills. Spearfish, Custer and Rapid City voted "dry" last spring. Deadwood cut the saloon majority of 418 in 1914 to only 83 in 1915. The old days of wide-open towns, dance halls, open gambling, and the scarlet woman have passed like "Calamity Jane," the tough cowboys and the buffalo forever from the Black Hills country.

It is a great privilege to be a man of God, a minister, with a place on the "firing line" in the great battles for Christianity. Battles never greater than to-day.

Our pastors are men of high honor and high courage, who can be trusted in every emergency. I have no words of personal eulogy, but many of these men are not only faithful leaders of the Church, but recognized as leaders of the community life where they live.

We recognize God's hand in planting our Church in this great territory, and we are better prepared to-day than ever before to do the King's business. May we, too, retain the faith of our fathers, soundness of doctrine and the old-time Methodist fire. These things under God we purpose to do.

Lights and Shadows

A fine boy came to gladden the home of Brother and Sister Stevenson of Harding. He is already a full-fledged American, claiming all his rights. The parsonages of Brother and Sister Gurney, Brother and Sister Matthews, Brother and Sister Weston, Brother and Sister Beardsley, and Brother and Sister Edlund were brightened by the advent of beautiful little girls.

The angels visited two of our parsonage homes this year. The shadows deepened and we called it "death." The homes of W. E. Hartung and R. C. McReynolds are lonely because of voices that are stilled for earth and time. The hearts of our brother pastors are heavy to-day in spite of the silver lining that faith and hope lends to the cloud of sorrow. No man can suffer heavier loss in this world than the death of a loving wife, the mother of his

children, and the light of the home. May the Heavenly Father comfort our brothers and their families. Both of these good women passed from us in the fullest assurance of faith.

Personal

God has been good to me and mine. I have been preserved in many journeyings. I have been given the ear and hearts of my people, and the sympathies and loyal support of my brethren of the ministry. I have tried to do my best. I have spared neither time nor strength. All I have and all I am I have given to this work. For any achievements I thank God; for the future I trust Him.

SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT

G. W. Rosenberry, Superintendent

DEAR BISHOP AND BRETHREN OF DAKOTA CONFERENCE:

It gives me pleasure to bring you this report from one of the rather exceptional districts of our beloved Church, one of the districts that during the last four years has made a steady advance, without a single halting step, in the four great fields of Church work, namely: Property Values, Membership, Pastoral Support, and Disciplinary Benevolences. The Philadelphia Board found no place for danger signals in its four-year review of the work of this district.

Credit for this splendid record is due the men who have been the pastors of the Churches of the district during these years. They have been at their work. Any shifting during the year has been the rare exception. They have brought things to pass. We believe the reports of this year will show that another advance step has been taken in each of these fields.

The Church Building and Improvement Campaign is still on, and will continue to be on for another year, by which time we think nearly every Church on the district will be fitted for definite and aggressive Christian work; and with very few exceptions the parsonages will be comfortable homes for the pastors and their families.

Churches Dedicated

November 29 was dedication day at Beresford. J. B. Dibble, as pastor, had worked faithfully and planned wisely, and under his leadership, backed up by a splendid band of men on the official board of the Church, approached the dedication day of their beautiful \$16,000 church with a good degree of confidence that Bishop Luccock and Dr. Iliff would see that they should pay for the church they had erected. They did see well to that important matter, and Beresford to-day has, we think, the best church for any town of its size in the state.

January 24 saw the dedication of the beautiful East Side Church in this city, costing upwards of \$16,000, in addition to the fact that the former Church could be used in the plans as a chapel with very little change. The building of this church was a tremendous job, but it was tremendously necessary, and William N. Deller, the pastor, and some other folks put a lot of red blood into the undertaking, and the Church is there just where it should be, and will be one of the strong Churches in this conference within

a very few years. William N. Deller, however, was not satisfied with the task of just building the East Side church, but had under way at the same time a fine neat little church at Ellis, costing \$3,500, and on May 2, with Dr. J. P. Jenkins in charge, this Church was dedicated free of debt.

S. B. Lowrie had his church at Elk Point rebuilt at a cost of \$3,800, and was ready for reopening on April 11. William Grant Seaman, president of Dakota Wesleyan, was called to that historically arduous field as general of finance, and he proved to be an able general, and Elk Point now has a good church free of debt.

Davis charge, with W. S. Rowden as pastor, equipped their church with a good basement, well arranged for social service work. The cost was \$1,200 and is all paid.

O. P. Jackson did likewise at Harrisburg; cost, \$1,100. Nels Fanebust did the same thing at Garretson; cost, \$1,500. C. W. Langdon did the same at Junius; cost, \$800. A. S. Loveall the same at Howard; cost, \$1,500.

H. E. Rice is in the midst of a similar improvement at Volin, while A. W. Thurston has a \$3,000 improvement under way at Canton.

Hurley's new modern parsonage, costing \$3,500, is about ready for W. P. Slocum and family. The finances are all cared for here, and the pastor next year will have a new house and a new salary of \$1,200.

The most surprising achievement of the year with us has been wrought out at Irene under the able leadership of Latham Ingham as pastor. With less than a dozen members of the Church in the town and community, but with an interested constituency, this man has so ably and wisely directed the work there that a very modern and attractive church, costing \$7,500, stands ready for dedication, except for the placing of the pews. This point will be a good station for the coming year, paying \$1,000.

Guy Wilkinson, as a student pastor, serving the Montrose charge, is now facing the fact of having worked himself out of a job. The membership of his Church has more than doubled during the past year, the church building is being remodeled and nearly ready for reopening, and they are now able to support a resident pastor and must have a man on the field to care for this enlarged work.

The last of the larger building and improvement enterprises undertaken on the district this year is that set in motion by A. S. Loveall at Vilas. Grounds have been purchased and paid for, and a neat \$2,000 church is in process of erection in that promising field. Brother Loveall also did the work himself of placing a fine curbing, parking and shade trees about the church property at Howard, greatly beautifying the same.

May we pause here just long enough to tell you that J. C. Chapman, the architect who drew the plans and supervised the construction of this church in which we are now met, the Church on the East Side of this city, the Church at Beresford, and the Church at Irene, is a loyal member of this Church and prominent on the official board.

Among the minor improvements must be noted the fact that the new veranda, the cement walks, paint and paper, rightly related to the parsonage at Centerville, have caused some people no little difficulty to locate the same. W. E. Gale brought this transformation about.

New walks at Egan and a very fine electric lighting system at Parker are among other improvements, all of which I cannot mention in this report.

Changes in Pastorates

Every man has been at his post during the year, except that in August John F. Gibson went back to the Des Moines Conference, and Willis N. Graves came from the Des Moines Conference to Vermilion, where he has already greatly endeared himself to the people of that Church.

Sickness in Parsonages

Brother T. B. Wilber, our pastor at Flandreau, was bereft of his uncle, his lovely Christian mother, who made her home with him, and was twice on the operating table himself this year. With it all he has done good work on his charge and comes to the close of the year with a promise of returning health for himself and a trustful confidence in God's abiding mercy and love.

Merrill Eberhart, nineteen years of age, son of Brother and Sister H. P. Eberhart of Yankton, whose consecrated Christian life was the means of leading many other young people to Christ, spent his last Sabbath on earth in the Church, left a ringing testimony for Christ, visited a little with the home folks, retired for the night, and Monday morning went over to live with God. Merrill was beautiful in life and beautiful in death, and Brother and Sister Eberhart are rich in having a son who stands to-day in the immediate presence of "the King."

Sister John Kaye was obliged to undergo an operation in the hospital at Des Moines, and we hope she has now many years of good health in store for her.

We are pleased to report the recovery of Sister J. B. Dibble from an attack of typhoid.

Sister Loveall has undergone an operation and needs rest and freedom from care that she may recover her usual good health.

Sister W. A. Black has suffered much from nervous disorders during the year, and has been obliged to let go of the Church work she has heretofore found pleasure in doing.

Brother W. E. Gale has suffered more than usual this year with his throat, and has been told by physicians that he must give up, for a time at least, the work of pastorate. We hope a rest and change will work a complete cure for him.

Membership

The building and improvement campaign seems not to have interfered with the work of saving souls. The reports in show a good increase in membership, mostly as the result of revival work. Sioux Falls, First Church, received into membership 148 persons during the year, Canton 41, Montrose 44, Wakonda 22, Davis 23, Junius 14, Yankton 21, Beresford 13, Madison 31, Hartford 17, and with a few exceptions all other charges had some ingathering this year.

The Class Meeting

We welcome the revival of the class meetings on many of the charges. They are having a good influence on the spiritual life of the Churches.

District Camp Meeting

Our leaders this year were Dr. Louis Albert Banks of Delaware, O., and Dr. Butler, conference evangelist of the Detroit Conference. The attendance was good, considering the unfavorable weather conditions of this sea-

son, and the value of the camp meeting to the district is seen in the actual working out on many of the charges of some of the practical methods of Christian work as set forth at the camp this year.

The Epworth League

Is a well-organized force on almost every charge, and is doing effective work among the young people.

The Ladies' Aid Societies

Gathered together \$13,067 this year. They paid about one tenth of the total amount of pastors' salaries on the district, but have been especially helpful in the building and improvement projects on the various fields.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will show an advance over last year, as will also the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Our Deaconess Workers

We had on the district in the early part of the year two trained Deaconess workers, who went from charge to charge as they were needed, and did some very efficient work, and we thought we had found the solution of the problem of trained help for our pastors at times most needed and at such reasonable cost that the weakest charges need not be without assistance, and we still believe in the plan, even though our workers are now married and in homes of their own.

Benevolences

We believe that the splendid record made a year ago will be maintained, and we are hoping that an advance will be made in most of the great causes, in spite of the fact of inclement weather and bad roads and building and college campaigns.

And now with gratitude to God for the privilege of working in the Christian ministry another year; for the fellowship of my brethren, who have done splendid work throughout the year, and for the present outlook that promises greater things for the future than have been achieved in the past, we submit this report.

WATERTOWN DISTRICT

O. E. Boyce, Superintendent

BISHOP QUAYLE AND BRETHREN:

Watertown District presents the following report:

The district as laid out by last conference comprised over 15,000 square miles. There are forty charges and some eighty preaching points. I have reached all but two of the country points. Large crops have gladdened our people all over the territory.

Personal

We have had a great deal of sickness in our parsonage homes. Brother Wilson's daughter, Edith, had a severe nervous breakdown and was in the Deaconess Hospital at Brookings for several weeks. Brother A. E. Bennett, whom we all love, has been compelled to leave the state, seeking a climate more favorable to fighting tuberculosis. Our prayers for his complete recovery go with him, for our conference needs such men as he. Sister Kearton sustained her fifth stroke of paralysis. Her strong Christian confidence is her support. Brother Kearton knows the path of affliction, and is thus able

to help his people by real sympathy. In the spring it was necessary for Sister Buriff to undergo an operation, which to all appearance has been successful. Brother Tarleton's daughter, Marian, had an operation at Brookings for appendicitis and is now strong again. Sister Nickerson was stricken with paralysis, but responded quickly to treatment and now scarcely feels the effects. Brother Rawlinson has had hospital experience at Brookings, where he left his appendix. In the early part of the year it was deemed necessary for Sister Bruce to go to the Battle Creek Sanitarium. They started at once to operate and performed three before she could escape. After returning home it was necessary to perform another operation. We do pray that health may again bless her. Smallpox ran riot at the Butterfields, but we hope has finally been routed. The only home visited by God's promoting messenger was our own, when Mrs. Boyce's father, W. D. Wilder, received the summons. He was ready, for he knew his God. Mrs. Wilder is still with us as queen mother in the home.

The home of Brother W. M. Allen has been brightened by the advent of a little one; may God bless the home circle.

There have been a few changes of pastors during the year. Brother Gee supplied Bruce for a few months, but was called home by the illness of his mother, and the Rev. O. M. Freeman of the Northwest Kansas Conference succeeded him. Thos. Ratcliffe withdrew from our church and Conference, going to the Congregationalists. Brother Dunn has closed the year at Oldham. Brother Wagenast has left the church, accepting a call from the Presbyterians, and Brother Prosser was appointed to Castlewood. Brother Bennett's illness made it necessary to secure a pulpit supply and Brother Fred Eberhart was secured. Blunt was left to be supplied at last Conference and we secured Brother Trodie of Wesley College, Winnipeg, Manitoba. This is a difficult field, but we are assured of victory.

Building and Improvements

Agar will have their church ready for occupancy soon after Conference. At Arlington a furnace was placed in the church, cement sidewalk and sewer constructed, amounting to about \$300. Bradley painted the parsonage and did some other minor improvements, while Brookings dedicated a very fine pipe organ soon after Conference. At Blunt a cyclone took the preacher's barn, but the men rallied and put it back on its foundation, where it will be as good as new. The tornado insurance was a friend indeed. A kitchen has been installed in the church by the Ladies' Aid. Broadland repapered the church; Bruce repapered the parsonage. Quite extensive repairs were put on the parsonage at Carpenter. Clark repapered the church, which with other improvements on basement, not previously reported, will equal about \$1,500. Clear Lake built a garage. Esmond placed a furnace in the parsonage, a lighting plant in the church and repaired the foundation of the church. Aurora papered and varnished the interior of their church. Florence planted forty-two trees, built a chimney on the church, painted the Lake Nicholson church, and built a fence around the cemetery. Improvements at Gary aggregate \$148. Hazel and Thomas improved the parsonage and church property by painting, cement walks, fence, and placing lights in parsonage and church. Harrold did some work on its church basement. Highmore had a run on improvements. The church was renovated, being painted and papered, new

electric lights, new chimney, and some other repairs, bringing the total to \$340. Hitchcock painted the church and parsonage, plastering the church and redecorating, also electric lights and cement walks. Huron painted the parsonage and screened the porch and put in sewer connection for the church. At Iroquois stoves were placed in the parsonage, the basement repaired, and new church doors replaced the old. Miller made repairs on the church and parsonage property to the tune of \$100. Cavour made improvements on the interior of its church, while Tulare moved its church back from the street, put in a full basement, so that they now have a place for social gatherings and also that they can care for its growing Sunday School. A furnace was placed in the church. The parsonage painted and the church resided, costing in all over \$2,000. White renovated its church, putting on steel ceiling, papering walls, a new floor, painting the woodwork and painting and papering the parsonage, also installing electric lights, totaling \$400. Kampeska reshingled the church. Wessington put in new hymnals in the Sunday School and connected the city water with the parsonage.

Debts

Last year I reported very little debt on our district that was unprovided for. I will have to change that this year as we inherited some by change of district bounds by last Conference. The debt on the district is approximately \$36,000. Nearly \$8,000 has been paid on debts during the year. Some charges have cleared all indebtedness from church property, while in other cases they are fully covered by subscription. Among the charges reporting no debt at the fourth quarterly conferences are: Agar, Bradley, Broadland, Brookings, Bruce, Burdette, Clear Lake, DeSmet, Esmond, Garden City, Gary, Highmore, Hazel, Hitchcock, Huron, Iroquois, Trenton, Tulare, Watertown, and White.

New Buildings

Watertown plans to dedicate its new church the Sunday following our Conference; valuation, \$80,000. Agar will report its new church next Conference. The Logan Church on the Clark Circuit will dedicate at Thanksgiving time, with no debt.

New Work

Yale has invited us to open services there. For the coming year our pastor at Cavour will supply that work. We hope to organize a new circuit, with Yale as its head, before another Conference. We need a young man for a circuit south of Harrold, and another church should be organized south of Miller.

Church Exchange

The Kampeska Church is now being served by the German Evangelicals. I would like the authorization of this Conference to exchange this church property—not including the farm—for church property at Miller, which can be moved to Vayland, where a church is badly needed.

Hospital

The Dakota Deaconess Hospital at Brookings has been doing faithful work and is growing in popularity because of service rendered. Miss Moore resigned as superintendent and Miss Wood, her successor, has been doing good work, as her report will show.

Epworth League

The Epworth Leagues have been doing good work. We have many Leagues that are of real strength to pastor and church. A number of Junior Leagues are flourishing.

Camp Ground

The St. Lawrence camp meeting ground again ministered to the spiritual needs of many people. The evangelist, Fred L. Buck of the Illinois Conference, had charge. Some twenty conversions are reported. This year saw a new dining hall built on the grounds, valued at \$500, and fully paid for.

Revivals

Splendid revivals were held in many places. Our men are not satisfied unless they can see souls coming to God. The number of accessions reported at the fourth quarterly conferences was 423, while removals without letter, with letter, and withdrawals, number 247, leaving a net gain of only 147.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies have been about their Master's business during the year. The amount raised for their work is \$2,506.

Woman's Home Missionary Society

We have but three Woman's Home Missionary Societies organized, but they are doing good work.

Ladies' Aid

The Ladies' Aid Societies are always in evidence, thank God! This year their earnings for the Kingdom reach a goodly sum.

Benevolences

The following amounts have been received for benevolences: Foreign Missions, \$2,600; Home Missions and Church Extension, \$1,500; Freedmen's Aid, \$245; Education, \$1,400; total of benevolences, \$10,000. Watertown District did its share in the great college endowment campaign, subscribing \$35,000.

I have not been satisfied with my work during the past year. The enlarged district made it impossible to give anything like intensive oversight. I am as fully persuaded now as a year ago that the enlarging of the districts was a great mistake. We have accepted the inevitable and have pressed on toward the mark for the prize of our high calling in Christ Jesus.

MEMORIAL FROM THE WATERTOWN DISTRICT TO THE
DAKOTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Mortuary Benefit of Dakota Conference

Name

By payment of one dollar and signing agreement is hereby entitled to benefit.

Purpose: To pay \$150 or amount equal to one dollar per member of benefit, not to exceed \$150, on the death of any member or probationer of Dakota Conference who has met the conditions of benefit.

Conditions of Membership: Any member or probationer of Dakota Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church may become a member by the payment of \$1.00 and agreeing to pay \$1.00 to the Conference treasurer when notified of the death of a member. Failing to pay the \$1.00 within thirty days of notice causes him to lose all claim to benefit.

Superannuate ministers now on the list to receive benefit without payment of dues.

Any qualified member upon superannuation shall be constituted a life member without further payment of dues.

Proof of Death: A signed statement by district superintendent or the recording steward with return of membership card shall constitute proof of death.

ORIEN E. BOYCE, *Dist. Supt.*

R. G. MINKLER, *Dist. Sec.*

Reports of Committees

POOLING OF CONFERENCE RAILROAD EXPENSES

Resolved First, That this Conference shall elect annually a secretary of transportation, who shall be authorized to make such arrangements as may be possible with the railroads of the state for special rates, trains, courtesies, etc., etc., and also to work out such plans as may be necessary to equalize the railroad and stage expenses of all the pastors of the Conference which may have been incurred in attendance upon the regular annual session of the same.

Resolved Second, That those who may be favored by the railroad companies with full or part transportation share equally in this expense, and that those who may travel by auto, motor cycle, team, or otherwise shall charge no more than one railroad fare for the trip from their own residence to the seat of the Conference and that such pastors as may be appointed to reside at a distance from any railroad shall present to the secretary receipts for the exact amount paid for stage hire at the regular rates for such stage trips and such stage expenses may be added to the railroad expenses.

Resolved Third, That the secretary shall compute the amount due from each member on the basis of actual car fare for such as ride on the railroads and on the basis of the railroad mileage for those who travel by all other methods, provided that all estimates must be by the most direct route from the station nearest residence of such member to the seat of the Conference and return, and that no other incidental expenses of the trip shall be added.

Resolved Fourth, That all such as may be included in the arrangement shall meet the secretary at such place as may be announced in open Conference, during the first day of their presence at Conference and give account of or pay their just share of the expenses as may be necessary at that time, and that participation in this plan be required of every member of the Conference in the effective relation receiving an appointment within the bounds of the Conference and to all who may be in charge of churches and who attend the Conference.

Resolved Fifth, That the secretary be authorized to appoint his own assistants and to incur such expenses as may be actually necessary to make proper preparation for the carrying out of such plans.

EDGAR E. SAXTON.
O. P. JACKSON.
H. G. OZANNE.
M. E. NICKERSON.
A. H. BEARDSLEY.

THE MORMON CHURCH RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Mormon institution is a polygamous kingdom set up in this republic, under the rule of a false prophet who holds that his authority is superior to the civil powers; and

WHEREAS, The National Reform Association of Pittsburgh has inaugurated a nation-wide movement against the evils of the Mormon system; and has offered to the country the following platform and program:

The Platform

We insist that all churches have equal rights in this country.

We insist that the Mormon Church shall have no more privileges than any other church in this country.

We insist that the temporal Mormon kingdom shall cease to exist in this country.

The Program

1. A constitutional amendment to forbid polygamy and polygamous living.

2. A proceeding by the Department of Justice to force an accounting of the property which was restored to the Mormon kingdom in trust; and a proceeding to dissolve the Mormon kingdom property trusteeship as a combination in restraint of trade.

3. An order by the Post Office Department withholding the privileges of the mail from the Mormon kingdom and its responsible officials, so long as they teach the crime of polygamy.

4. A refusal by each House of Congress to seat any man who pays political allegiance to the Mormon kingdom or is elected by its power.

5. A refusal by the President to appoint any man to any federal office who pays political allegiance to the Mormon kingdom.

6. Political opposition by all Christian patriots to any candidate who is known to be an ally of the Mormon kingdom in politics or who will not pledge himself to this program.

AND WHEREAS, In the proposed platform and program there is no war upon religion nor is there any denominational conflict; nor is there any invasion of civil right, nor is there any attack upon innocence; now therefore

Be It Resolved, That this Conference does hereby endorse the platform and program above recited and does urge the people and the government of this Christian nation to adopt such lawful and Christian measures as shall bring to a speedy and merciful end the offenses of the Mormon system.

EDUCATION

Your Committee on Education offers the following report:

Once more the Dakota Annual Conference records its judgment that Christian education is one of the most important activities of the church. All through its history the Church of Christ, filled with the Master's passion for saving men, has found that it must establish schools in order that it may accomplish its great work of uplifting men. These schools, in turn, have vitalized religion and given to the church many leaders in the work of carrying forward its program for saving the world. We rejoice in the work the church is now doing in the field of education. Her mission schools are quickening into new life the minds and hearts of thousands of the brightest children in many heathen lands. Through her secondary schools, her colleges, her universities, her theological schools marches an ever-increasing number of choice young men and young women in our own land, going out bigger, stronger, better to bestow a fuller life upon the world. We rejoice in the large gifts our people are making to these institutions. Never in the history of the world has the church done so much for education as she is doing now, and never was the opportunity or the need so great as now.

The coöperation of our Board of Education with our school in standardizing curricula, faculties, plants, equipment, and endowment has been eminently helpful. Its action at its recent annual meeting, authorizing a director of religious work for our institutions of learning, is especially commendable.

Its thorough and far-reaching "survey" of educational conditions throughout the country now in progress promises much for the board's coming semi-centennial movement. The Children's Day collection, which has aided from the beginning 22,984 students—2,189 last year, and this year 2,288—continues increasingly helpful and efficient. We commend and approve the apportionment by the General Conference Commission on Finance of the one public educational collected authorized by the Discipline, eighty per cent to go to Dakota Wesleyan University and twenty per cent to the Board of Education. The *Christian Student*, the board's official organ, improves constantly and should be read widely. It is receiving most flattering recognition without our own denomination as well as at home.

We note with satisfaction the prosperity of our theological schools. The attendance has steadily increased and the institutions are loyal to the church and efficient in their work. The outstanding event at Garrett Biblical Institute has been the changing of the school year from two semesters to four quarter year terms, with a vacation for the whole school during the month of September. Important also is the change in the course for the diploma students, which has been reduced to two years with an entirely reorganized curriculum. We congratulate Drew Seminary on its magnificent new commons, gymnasium, and movement for an additional one million endowment, one quarter of which is already secured. Boston Seminary has recently added a splendid new dormitory to her equipment.

We pledge anew our support to our Dakota Wesleyan University. We rejoice in the success of the special religious efforts of the past school year, and devoutly pray for the divine blessing upon the efforts planned for the new year. We extend to the students our hearty appreciation of the spirit of devotion and earnest purpose they have shown in securing a paid secretary to lead in the work of their Christian Association. We learn with pleasure of the promising opening of the school year, of the increased attendance, of the improvements in equipments and buildings, and of the excellent corps of teachers and workers with which the year starts off. Dakota Wesleyan University—the child of our Dakota Methodism—is in its infancy. Let all our people keep it ever in their prayers and plans that its growth may be rapid and molded by the spirit of the Master of us all. We urge upon the parents the supreme importance of their sons and daughters getting a broad education, and of their getting it in the atmosphere of a Christian college.

We call the attention of both our pastors and people to the educational collection. Failure to secure the full amount means the delay of the great educational program of our church, and crippling our university in the work it is doing for the Kingdom, as well as adding to its burdens. Upon the splendid record of the past let us build a still better one for the future.

The presidency of our brother, William Grant Seaman, continues to prove his fitness for the task, and is growing in efficiency and visible fruitage. He has gathered a strong and harmoniously working faculty about him, has gradually raised the standard of the college curriculum, and is deservedly popular throughout the bounds of the Conference, where he enjoys the fullest confidence of preachers and laymen.

Year by year as vice-president of the university and its field secretary, Dr. J. P. Jenkins is showing himself more and more a master builder. In

proportion as the church and the Kingdom needs Christian colleges they need men of the highest Christian ideals, of sublime faith, of never-failing patience, of continuing persistence, of great tact and skill to build the material foundations upon which colleges must rest. The peculiar fitness of Dr. Jenkins for the work and his usual success mark him as one called of God to this splendid work. May he continue in the work until he sees the fulfillment of the desire of all our hearts, our university fully endowed and equipped for every good work it should undertake.

The campaign for \$100,000 launched for Dakota Wesleyan University, by action of the Conference last year, closed two hours before scheduled time, at 10 P. M., April 30, with a grand gross total of \$127,431.05. Of this generous amount \$83,500 was given in four or more figures; \$16,900 was in estate notes; \$18,900 in properties for which life annuity bonds were issued. There were twenty-four pledges of \$1,000 each. This suggests that our people are beginning to get an enlarged vision, and a deeper sense of the responsibilities of the Christian steward. We are always under obligation to the Board of Education of our church for its assistance in many ways. This year our debt is even greater than usual, for the inspiration and advice of the secretary, our Brother Dr. Thos. Nicholson, in meeting a crisis in the affairs of our university. We owe the board our gratitude also for loaning us the services of Dr. John W. Hancher to direct our campaign. We owe a debt of gratitude to Dr. Hancher himself for the way in which he devoted himself to our interest. The success of the financial campaign for the university was in no small measure due to the skillful work in advertising, organizing, and soliciting of one who has had a large part in bringing other interests of our Conference to a successful issue, our brother, Dr. G. T. Notson. In expressing great appreciation of his services we not only express the appreciation of the friends of the university, of the members of the Conference, but also of the Methodism of the state. The district superintendents wrought well, and with them the pastors toiled faithfully and a goodly number of our laymen gave valuable assistance in labor and counsel as well as money. Truly we all labor together with God.

We again recommend that we unite the collection for Dakota Wesleyan University and that of the Board of Education into our educational appeal and request Dr. W. B. Hollingshead, the apportionment secretary of the benevolence boards, to apportion \$9,500 to our churches as equitably as possible for the next Conference, the same to be provided for by the Discipline.

We nominate as visitors to our various institutions the following: Boston University School of Theology, Dr. Thos. Nicholson; Garrett Biblical Institute, J. S. Hoagland, J. S. Harkness; Drew Theological Seminary, O. E. Boyce; Dakota Wesleyan University, Dr. O. W. Taylor, F. L. Bromaghim, O. M. Hyde, I. M. Hargett.

(Signed) THOS. NICHOLSON, *President*.
J. S. HOAGLAND, *Secretary*.

FEDERATION CONFERENCE INTERESTS

After giving earnest consideration to the proposed federation of the following Conference interests, namely, the Conference Claimants' Endowment Fund and the Methodist State Hospital, with other interests, in a pro-

posed campaign for \$185,000, we find conditions, in some instances, of a local character, that render it impracticable to unite so many diverse interests under one appeal, but believing the interests vitally related to the Conference should be given every opportunity to be cared for, so far as possible this year, we recommend that a campaign for \$100,000 be inaugurated, to be divided as follows: For the Conference Claimants' Endowment Fund, \$60,000; for the Methodist State Hospital, outside of the vicinity of Mitchell, \$30,000; for the assistance of pressing cases within the Conference, demanding immediate assistance, \$10,000; total, \$100,000.

That we recommend the closest affiliation of these great interests and hearty coöperation of those having charge of the appeal to be made in their behalf and that a commission be appointed, consisting of three members of the Board of Conference Trustees, three members of the board of trustees of the Methodist State Hospital, and three members of the Annual Conference, not members of these boards, to direct and give assistance to the effort to raise \$100,000 for these purposes.

We recommend further the appointment of a committee from the Federation Commission to look into the matter of the title, by which the Dakota Deaconess Hospital at Brookings is held, and if it can be brought into satisfactory relations to the Deaconess Board, to give sympathetic coöperation to any movement made to raise their indebtedness.

That a like committee be appointed to seek the coöperation and support of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in caring for the interests of the Methodist Deaconess Hospital at Rapid City.

That a field secretary be appointed to coöperate in raising \$100,000 named above, to be especially related to the Conference Claimants' Endowment Fund.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Methodist Episcopal Church is confronted by an unparalleled necessity and opportunity with respect to her foreign missionary enterprise. We face a whole world in transition and upheaval.

In spite of the fact that Mexico is still in the throes of revolution, the missionaries on the ground and the native preachers are continuing the public preaching services, and, in addition, caring for the Red Cross work necessitated by the conditions of civil life.

On account of the European war the governments of South America have been compelled to curtail the subsidies usually paid to our mission schools. The situation in Bolivia is particularly acute. Special contributions will be necessary in order to keep the schools open and the workers on the field.

Conditions in Korea, China, and Japan were never more favorable for the propagation of the Christian faith. The student classes are attending evangelistic meetings by thousands and pledging themselves to the study of the Word.

The mass movement in India continues to grow in volume and momentum. There are now 150,000 candidates for church membership who cannot be received into the church because of the lack of pastors and teachers for their instruction and supervision.

The Philippine Islands and Malaysia present to the church a truly great opportunity for evangelistic and educational work. The multitudes are eager and responsive, and the measure of self-support exceeds all expectations.

Africa is still the continent of darkness. One third of its population is Mohammedan and entire tribes are being repeatedly Islamized. The followers of the False Prophet are pouring into the port cities all around the continent and are propagating their faith among the millions of pagan Africa.

While expressing our gratification over the achievements of the Dakota Conference in caring for missionary, educational and philanthropic interests in the homeland, we cannot but register our conviction that we must give a larger measure of attention to the missionary propaganda of Methodism if she is to adequately meet her responsibility to the non-Christian world.

We record our approval of the efficient and brotherly administration of the Church's foreign missionary enterprise under the direction of the present corresponding secretaries, and hereby assure them of our prayerful and cordial coöperation.

Respectfully submitted,

I. M. HARGETT, *Chairman.*

J. M. TIBBETTS, *Secretary.*

THE FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY

The work of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church has been carried on through the past year in twenty-two schools, with 372 teachers and 6,961 students. It has been a year of unusual difficulty and stress to the schools, principally caused by the war conditions in European countries.

The cotton crop furnishes the main industry by which the masses of the people of the southern states secure a livelihood. Almost the entire negro population is engaged in cotton raising. When a large proportion of the market for this product is cut off, and the price received falls below the cost of production, the laborers are the first to feel this loss. Last year many millions of dollars' worth had to be marketed at such a price as left no margin for the negro farmers, by whose toil it was produced. Our colored families, who had been sending their children to the schools, and paying the small expenses of their education out of their savings earned in the cotton fields, this year found themselves without funds, either for conference collections toward the maintenance of the schools, or the payment of their children's expenses.

These special conditions of financial stress on account of the war are likely to continue throughout the coming year, calling for increased offerings from the church at large with which to carry the schools over the present crisis.

We, therefore, recommend

That during the coming conference year each pastor shall take special pains to present the work of the Freedmen's Aid Society to our congregations, and that a special effort be made to make an increase of at least ten per cent in the collections over the preceding year. If this increased amount is reached, it will avoid the necessity of an indebtedness to the society, and make possible the continuation of the moral, industrial and intellectual work so necessary in the present stage of the development of the ten millions of people of African descent, who look to the Churches for a trained Christian leadership.

We further recommend

That each pastor observe the Lincoln Day Anniversary, February 13, 1916, and send to the society, 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O., for a sufficient number of copies of the Lincoln Day program to supply the members of his congregation and Sunday School. These programs are furnished free on request.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. HUGHES,

J. C. BAKER,

F. C. PAGE.

Committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF METHODIST DEACONESS HOSPITAL, OCTOBER 1, 1914, TO OCTOBER 1, 1915

Receipts

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| Balance on hand October 1, 1914..... | \$ 36.00 |
| Receipts from Patients | 8,332.67 |
| Receipts from Subscriptions (Field Secretary)..... | 7,335.00 |
| Receipts from Subscriptions (Campaign) | 275.00 |
| Receipts from Subscriptions (Minister's Room) | 72.00 |
| Receipts from National W. H. M. S. (Mrs. Street)..... | 1,110.32 |
| Receipts from Donations (Churches and Societies)..... | 418.61 |
| Receipts from Anæsthetics | 148.80 |
| Receipts from Loan | 100.00 |
| Receipts from Sundries | 146.32 |
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| | \$17,974.72 |

Disbursements

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| Running Expense | \$ 9,438.50 |
| Field Secretary's Expense | 2,038.15 |
| Building | 720.79 |
| Bond, First Mortgage | 1,000.00 |
| Notes and Interest | 2,531.54 |
| Second Mortgage | 546.86 |
| Elevator | 1,625.00 |
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| | \$17,900.84 |

Balance on hand October 1, 1915.....\$ 73.88

Average Cost per Month.....\$786.55
Average Cost per Patient..... 30.95

Average Cost per Month, first year.....\$906.80
Average Cost per Patient 34.53

CONFERENCE BOARD OF STEWARDS

The following amounts have been received:

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| Reported from the charges | \$4,088.00 |
| Received from the Book Concern | 2,428.00 |
| Received from the Connectional Fund | 250.00 |
| Received from the interest on investments | 1,505.00 |
| Total | \$8,271.00 |

Remitting to the Connectional Board five per cent of the total received from the charges leaves \$8,067 for distribution on to our claimants.

We recommend that the following distribution be made:

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| To the Connectional Fund | \$ 204.00 |
| D. W. Chamberlain, Scotland | 250.00 |
| G. J. Corwin, Centerville | 220.00 |
| C. B. Clark, Hot Springs | 300.00 |
| E. E. Dean, Huron | 200.00 |
| W. D. Deeble, Columbia..... | 300.00 |
| W. O. Gram, Bath | 160.00 |
| J. G. Hall, Holtsville, Cal..... | 200.00 |
| L. Hartsough, Mount Vernon, Ia..... | 425.00 |
| A. Jamison, Correctionville, Ia..... | 400.00 |
| A. S. Loveall, San Diego, Cal..... | 300.00 |
| R. C. McReynolds, Rapid City | 200.00 |
| O. A. Phillips, Mitchell | 350.00 |
| T. Simmons, Faulkton | 350.00 |
| A. E. Tanner, Mitchell | 275.00 |
| J. A. Willey, Christina, Mont | 225.00 |
| T. H. Youngman, Canon City, Colo..... | 300.00 |
| Mrs. S. F. Brown, Hamilton, N. Y. | 225.00 |
| Mrs. Myra Coon, Cascade, Mont..... | 160.00 |
| Mrs. Anna Cooper, 2 Talbot View, Leeds, England..... | 275.00 |
| Mrs. Alida Corey, Chehalis, Wash..... | 210.00 |
| Mrs. Achsah B. Curl, 766 E. 15th St., Oakland, Cal..... | 220.00 |
| Mrs. A. V. Fawell, 2931 Starr St., Lincoln, Neb..... | 185.00 |
| Mrs. Frank Fox, Redfield | 185.00 |
| Mrs. Kate Hoadley, 612 Bright St., Seattle, Wash..... | 210.00 |
| Mrs. Mary Holgate, Redfield | 250.00 |
| Mrs. L. McLean, Mitchell | 200.00 |
| Mrs. W. F. Minty, Mitchell | 190.00 |
| Mrs. F. J. Norton, Mitchell | 240.00 |
| Mrs. D. Rifenbark, White Lake | 300.00 |
| Mrs. H. M. Springer, Evarts, Vt..... | 185.00 |
| Mrs. T. H. Walker, Heber Springs, Ark..... | 200.00 |
| Mrs. Thos. Wilkinson, Siloam Springs, Ark..... | 200.00 |
| Mrs. Mary Washburn | 180.00 |
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| | \$8,067.00 |

The amount available for distribution this year falls far below what is needed, though an improvement upon many former years. It is believed that many brethren do not correctly ascertain what amount should be forthcoming from their charges. Three and a half per cent of the pastors' salaries of last year would have yielded \$5,487 instead of \$4,088 as reported by the Conference treasurer, leaving a shortage in this quarter of \$1,399.

The Conference will need for the payment in full of annuities for all probable cases of pressing need and for the Connectional Fund approximately \$11,000 in 1916. To obtain this it will be necessary to ask for an equivalent of three and a half per cent of pastors' salaries.

W. O. REDFIELD, *Chairman.*

A. E. CARHART, *Secretary.*

THE BOARD OF THE METHODIST STATE HOSPITAL

At the twenty-ninth session of the Dakota Annual Conference, held in Redfield, S. D., in October, 1913, the Methodist State Hospital was located, after careful deliberation, in Mitchell.

At the thirtieth session of the conference, held in Wessington Springs last year, it was decided to undertake the raising of funds for the purpose of erecting the first building. The Rev. G. T. Notson, D.D., was appointed executive secretary, and after assisting in the campaign for \$100,000 for the Dakota Wesleyan University, he has given himself to the task of formulating plans and taking initiative steps for the raising of sufficient funds for the purpose named.

A beautiful site has been purchased, the location of which is at the southwest corner of the city of Mitchell, near the campus of Dakota Wesleyan University. The tentative plans call for a modern, up-to-date, fireproof structure, with capacity for fifty beds. It will be built of brick, tile, and reinforced concrete, with steel frame work. The floors will be concrete, magnesite, and ground cork composition covered with battleship linoleum. The plan isolates the service and surgical wing from the main part of the building.

We are prepared to report that the Board of Trustees has been duly incorporated, as authorized by the Annual Conference, and by-laws for the government of the board have been adopted.

We recommend the increase of the Board of Trustees from nine to twelve, and nominate the following for trustees: O. W. Taylor, C. E. Matteson, J. W. Potter, J. S. Hoagland, W. S. Shepherd, G. D. Brown, Lewis Shuster, S. E. Morris, James Keene, W. T. McConnel, G. W. Rosenberry, A. T. Downey.

We further recommend the reappointment of G. T. Notson as executive secretary for the ensuing conference year.

We urge upon the conference, united, vigorous coöperation upon the part of every member in carrying out the plans adopted by this body in affiliation with other interests of paramount importance, to raise the funds necessary to erect the first unit of what we confidently plan to be the greatest Protestant Hospital in the Northwest.

DEACONESS BOARD OF NINE

The Deaconess Board of Nine records its appreciation of the efficient service rendered to Dakota Methodism through the two institutions within the bounds of our conference, the Methodist Deaconess Hospital of Rapid City, under the superintendency of Miss Wade, and the Dakota Deaconess Hospital of Brookings, under Miss Wood. We continue to commend these institutions as worthy the patronage and support of our people.

The licenses of the following Deaconesses were renewed: Clara Black, Winifred Crouch, Dora Bridges, Eleanor S. Moore, Cornelia A. Rodenfels, Sarah B. Simmons, and Elva L. Wade. Grace M. Bayne was granted a license and recommended for consecration as Deaconess. At the request of the superintendent of the Schesler Deaconess Home, Clara Black was transferred to the Northwest Iowa Conference.

The following officers of the board were elected for the ensuing year: R. G. Minkler, President, and H. G. Ozanne, Secretary. The board recommends the appointment of R. G. Minkler, Dr. T. B. Green, and Mrs. G. W. Rosenberry as members of the board in the class of 1918.

Signed: R. G. MINKLER, *President*.
H. G. OZANNE, *Secretary*.

AUDITING DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' ACCOUNTS

We have examined the accounts of the District Superintendents and find them correct.

Signed: EVAN F. LOVETT, *Chairman*.
R. A. PALMER, *Secretary*.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The American Bible Society is doing a great work in supplying Bibles in over 600 languages, selling them at low rates, and giving large numbers to the poor. We heartily commend the society to our people, and pledge ourselves to the support of its interests. In the spring of 1916 the society celebrates its centennial. The pastors are urged to have a Bible day in their Churches and Sunday Schools upon that occasion.

Signed: M. E. NICKERSON, *Chairman*.
N. P. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE

We protest emphatically against the modern tendency toward Sabbath desecration. We commend anew to our people the general rule of our Church pertaining to Sabbath observance.

Signed: E. E. HOLMES, *Chairman*.
E. E. SAXTON, *Secretary*.

AUDITING ACCOUNTS

The Auditing Committee has examined the books and papers of the Conference Treasurer and finds them correct.

Signed: J. E. MCKINNEY, *Chairman*.
P. H. WESTON, *Secretary*.

TEMPERANCE

We record our gratitude to God for the past year's growth and world advancement in the temperance movement.

In view of the fact that our state is now entering into a dry campaign for the reënactment of state-wide prohibition, it is our conviction:

1. That all prohibition and temperance forces should unite for the destruction of the drink evil in this commonwealth.

2. That we should pledge ourselves to the state prohibition movement and give it the right of way in all our charges this coming conference year.

3. We recommend to the official boards of each charge such coöperation with this campaign that, should the services of our pastors be desired for a time in the campaign, they could be released.

4. We reiterate the words in our Discipline as our pledge that any candidate for office has no reason to expect our vote and support who does not go on record as to his attitude against the saloon.

5. We commend the work of our Temperance Society, and recommend that the conference secretary bring to the attention of our Church Temperance Society the nature and importance of our state-wide campaign, and urge it to give it all possible assistance.

6. We respectfully petition our representatives in both houses of Congress that they use their influence to secure such national legislation as shall speedily remove the evils of the beverage liquor traffic from our entire nation.

7. We urge the passage of a law forbidding the use of the mails to all circulars or publications of any kind advertising intoxicating liquors in dry territory.

8. We most heartily commend the work of the Anti-Saloon League of South Dakota, and recommend that our Church be represented in that organization by J. S. Hoagland, A. E. Carhart, P. O. Bunt, J. W. Potter.

Signed: C. E. HAGER, *Chairman*.

H. L. CASE.

MINISTERIAL EMERGENCY RELIEF

Your Committee on Ministerial Emergency Relief recommends to the conference that a committee of five be appointed to make inquiry as to the feasibility of securing a group insurance policy covering the life of such preachers within the conference as wish to participate in the plan, except supernumerary and retired preachers, and to present to the next session of the Annual Conference a comprehensive scheme of protection in case of illness, accident or death.

Signed: C. E. HAGER, *Chairman*.

J. E. CROWTHER, *Secretary*.

CHURCH LITERATURE

Notwithstanding the sword in a world war, we still believe the pen wields a greater influence than the sword, and that the press finds a larger audience than the pulpit. Therefore, we resolve:

First—That we appreciate the continued prosperity of our Book Concern, and the draft for \$2,448 which we received from it this year as our share of the profits to be devoted to the support of our retired ministers.

Second—We recommend to the people of our Church the "House of Good Books."

Third—We urge our pastors to push the circulation of "The Northwestern Christian Advocate," "The Epworth Herald," and "The Methodist Review."

Fourth—That we pledge ourselves to the faithful dissemination of Christian literature in the interest of the kingdom of God.

Signed: A. C. McLEAN, *Chairman.*

M. T. HABGOOD, *Secretary.*

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

We rejoice at the continued prosperity of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and earnestly commend this noble organization of Christian women to both the pastors and laymen. We note with gratitude that the work of this great society marches steadily forward in spite of the great world upheaval. Our own Dakota girls are doing wondrous work yonder at the front.

Heartily thanking all who have contributed to this society, and pledging our prayers and sympathy to this great branch of Christian work, we ask the united prayers of God's children that the heroic company of missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society may be preserved in health, supplied with funds, and kept by the power of God.

J. T. B. SMITH, *Chairman.*

RALPH SHEARER, *Secretary.*

EPWORTH LEAGUE

With deep gratitude to God do we note the large increase in the membership of the Epworth League under the efficient leadership of our general secretary, Wilbur F. Sheridan, D.D.

We endorse the plan of the General Office regarding the work of the local chapters for the year, and especially urge them to observe the "Win-My-Chum Week" in November, to push the work of the study club and the circulation of our most excellent paper, "The Epworth Herald."

In view of the fact that our state is entering a campaign for a dry South Dakota, we urge our Epworth League to present a solid front against the infamous liquor traffic and to coöperate with the temperance forces in this campaign.

FRED H. RAY, *Chairman.*

FRED E. MORRISON, *Secretary.*

RESOLUTIONS

We, the Dakota Conference, assembled in our thirty-first session in Sioux Falls, do hereby adopt the following resolutions:

1. That we recognize that, in the erection of the splendid edifices of the First Methodist Episcopal and East Side Societies, Sioux Falls Methodism has been greatly strengthened, and a contribution of unusual importance has been made to the Methodism of the state; and we therefore congratulate these two organizations, First Church and East Side Church, on possessing the aggressive and statesmanlike leadership of the Rev. John W. Potter, D.D., and the Rev. William N. Deller, and we congratulate these pastors upon having a people loyal and devoted, as these have proven to be.

2. That we are deeply grateful to our conference host, Dr. J. W. Potter, for the excellent program provided, for his remarkable concern for our comfort, and to his people and the people of the East Side, our hosts throughout the past week, whose hospitality has met every desire of ours.

3. That we confess a profound obligation to Bishop William A. Quayle, whose services in administrative directions have facilitated the complicated business of our sessions in a degree that we would have believed impossible, whose contributions, literary and spiritual, made in many addresses, formal and impromptu, have deeply quickened us in mind and spirit. We urgently desire his return next year to be the president of our conference.

4. That we hereby express our sincerest thanks to the secretaries, statisticians, treasurer, railroad secretary, conference postmaster, and the other officers of the conference. These brethren do an unusual amount of exacting work in a most admirable way, and we remember their faithful services with deepest gratitude.

5. That we convey to the Sioux Falls Daily Press, and the Argus Leader an expression of our appreciation of the courtesies shown us, whereby the influence of our sessions has been extended far beyond the boundaries of this community.

ALBERT HARTT,
A. W. THURSTON,
Committee.

RESOLUTION ON EPWORTH LEAGUE

In view of the fact that our districts have had much trouble to arrange for their conventions in the matter of securing talent, etc., we recommend that a committee of ten be appointed, consisting of the five District Epworth League Presidents and the five District Superintendents, to arrange a plan of coördination and coöperation in the matter of holding the district conventions.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We note with pleasure the splendid advance in our Sunday School work, due largely, we believe, to the work of our Sunday School Board. It is not only an extensive growth, but an intensive development.

We express our appreciation of the work of our board and recommend that all pastors endeavor to secure the largest financial support possible.

We recognize the vital importance of the Sunday School to the future welfare of the Church, and urge the Churches of this conference to unite in a general forward movement to standardize our Sunday Schools, particularly in the matter of the organization of classes and the training of teachers.

We urge the observance of rally and decision days.

Our state is peculiarly a Sunday School field, in that in many localities the only gospel ministry the people have is through the Sunday School. We therefore request the Bishop and his cabinet to appoint L. L. Lane as our Sunday School missionary for another year.

Signed: L. L. LANE, *Chairman.*
J. M. TIBBETTS, *Secretary.*

LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT

WHEREAS, The Laymen's Missionary Movement is instituting a series of conventions throughout the nation for further arousing the interest and active support of the laymen of the Church in the world-wide work of the kingdom, beginning with the convention in Chicago, October 14-17;

WHEREAS, The convention for this state is called for November 7-10 at Mitchell;

Resolved, That we heartily coöperate in this campaign, and that we make earnest endeavor to bring to this great state gathering the key laymen of our charges, and pledge ourselves to support the follow-up campaign with all possible vigor.

Signed: H. G. OZANNE, *Chairman*.

HOSPITALS

We greatly rejoice in the advance of the Church in the work and service of Christian healing. The two hospitals now operating within the bounds of this conference, under the direction and supervision of the Methodist Episcopal Church, are meeting a long-felt need.

We heartily endorse the splendid and efficient work done, both by the Methodist Deaconess Hospital at Rapid City and the Dakota Deaconess Hospital at Brookings, and note with satisfaction and pride the relief they have brought to our preachers and their families.

We commend the action of the Board of Trustees appointed last conference in the selection and purchase of the site for the Methodist State Hospital at Mitchell.

We further commend the wise, tactful leadership of our executive secretary, G. T. Notson, D.D., and pledge him our loyal support and coöperation.

Signed: J. A. EDWARDS, *Chairman*.

J. S. HOAGLAND, *Secretary*.

HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

It is with great satisfaction that we look upon the record of another year's work which has brought help to many needy Churches. In many cases the work would have been impossible without the gracious assistance of this society.

Their aid has made possible some new Churches.

While we highly appreciate the effort put forth by many charges to meet the apportionment for this worthy cause, we appeal to every pastor to secure if possible every dollar of the apportionment for the coming year.

We highly appreciate the inspiring and instructive addresses given by our general secretary, the Rev. C. M. Boswell.

Signed: R. G. MINKLER, *Chairman*.

O. M. HYDE, *Secretary*.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

We are pleased to note the advance in the support of conference claimants, also in the almost universal observance of our pastors of the rule respecting the prorating of ministerial support. We urge that it become absolutely unanimous.

We heartily commend the work of the Board of Conference Claimants and its corresponding secretary, the Rev. J. B. Hingeley, D.D., and the able work of the Rev. John Thomas Brabner Smith, editor of the *Veteran Preacher*.

We endorse the campaign of this conference for raising \$60,000, and the national campaign for raising \$15,000,000 for our retired ministers.

Signed: S. E. BROWN, *Chairman*.

DAKOTA DEACONESS HOSPITAL

The Dakota Deaconess Hospital reports a successful year. The first commencement exercises of the hospital were held last spring, and in the near future Miss Cornelia A. Rodenfels will graduate. We have received a fine new class of probationers this fall, and anticipate another splendid year. That the conference may have some definite idea of the work done by the hospital, the following statistics are given:

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| Valuation of property | \$20,000.00 |
| Debt | 5,500.00 |
| Number of patients admitted during year..... | 237 |
| Number of surgical patients | 148 |
| Number of medical patients | 89 |
| Number patients receiving free treatment..... | 11 |
| Value of free work done (not including last account)..... | \$ 533.00 |
| Receipts from patients..... | 6,622.00 |
| Receipts from collections and donations..... | 935.00 |
| Receipts from other sources..... | 574.00 |
| Total receipts | 8,131.00 |
| Current expenses | 9,000.00 |

Signed: HELEN WOOD, *Superintendent*.

SESSIONS OF DAKOTA MISSION AND CONFERENCE

| Date | Place | President | Mem'rs | Secretary |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------------------|
| Sept., 1880, | Yankton | Bishop Warren | 1050 | ... Wm. McCready |
| Oct., 1881, | Sioux Falls | Bishop Hurst | 1366 | ... Wm. McCready |
| Oct., 1882, | Parker | Bishop Merrill | 1504 | ... Wm. McCready |
| Oct., 1883, | Huron | Bishop Simpson | 2782 | D. Rifenbark |
| Oct., 1884, | Mitchell | Bishop Andrews | 4469 | D. Rifenbark |
| Oct., 1885, | Blunt | Bishop Foss | 5209 | A. R. Boggs |
| Oct., 1886, | Watertown | Bishop Bowman | 6565 | A. R. Boggs |
| Oct., 1887, | Aberdeen | Bishop Fowler | 8225 | A. R. Boggs |
| Oct., 1888, | Yankton | Bishop Walden | 9474 | A. R. Boggs |
| Oct., 1889, | Huron | Bishop Vincent | 10526 | W. H. Jordan |
| Oct., 1890, | Mitchell | Bishop Fitzgerald | 9663 | ... G. D. Cleworth |
| Oct., 1891, | Sioux Falls | Bishop Foss | 9006 | .. A. W. Adkinson |
| Oct., 1892, | Madison | Bishop Goodsell | 9170 | .. A. W. Adkinson |
| Oct., 1893, | Brookings | Bishop Ninde | 9749 | ... G. D. Cleworth |
| Oct., 1894, | Watertown | Bishop Fowler | 10094 | ... G. D. Cleworth |
| Oct., 1895, | Aberdeen | Bishop Joyce | 9510 | C. H. Smith |
| Oct., 1896, | Vermilion | Bishop Vincent | 9335 | J. P. Jenkins |
| Oct., 1897, | Mitchell | Bishop Warren | 9269 | J. P. Jenkins |
| Oct., 1898, | Parker | Bishop McCabe | 10429 | J. P. Jenkins |
| Oct., 1899, | Huron | Bishop Hurst | 10960 | J. P. Jenkins |
| Oct., 1900, | Sioux Falls | Bishop Merrill | 11324 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1901, | Milbank | Bishop Foss | 11430 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1902, | Madison | Bishop Goodsell | 11187 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1903, | Aberdeen | Bishop Walden | 11440 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1904, | Mitchell | Bishop Hamilton | 11881 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1905, | Watertown | Bishop Warren | 12522 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1906, | Brookings | Bishop Cranston | 12766 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1907, | Vermilion | Bishop McDowell | 13402 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1908, | Sioux Falls | Bishop Wilson | 14759 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1909, | Huron | Bishop Nuelsen | 15673 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1910, | Mitchell | Bishop Nuelsen | 16242 | G. T. Notson |
| Oct., 1911, | Aberdeen | Bishop McIntyre | 15751 | G. D. Brown |
| Oct., 1912, | Yankton | Bishop Luccock | 16349 | G. D. Brown |
| Oct., 1913, | Redfield | Bishop Luccock | 18592 | G. D. Brown |
| Oct., 1914, | Wessington Springs | Bishop Luccock | 18814 | G. D. Brown |
| Oct., 1915, | Sioux Falls..... | Bishop Quayle | 19214 | G. D. Brown |

CONFERENCE NECROLOGY

| Name | Place of Death | Time of Death. | Age | Years in Ministry | Conference Relation |
|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------|---------------------|
| John M. Rust..... | Vermilion, D..... | 1871 | 41 | 15 | Effective |
| Thomas M. Williams.. | Bridgewater, D..... | 1881 | 50 | 24 | Effective |
| William H. Hoadley.... | Huron, D..... | 1886 | 51 | 16 | ... Supernum. |
| T. S. Hunt..... | Aurora, Ind..... | 1887 | 57 | 16 | Effective |
| Wm. H. Affleck..... | Leeds, England..... | 1887 | 76 | .. | Effective |
| Wm. Vivian | San Fernando, Cal.. | 1888 | 45 | 8 | ... Supernum. |
| Chas. B. Gilbert..... | St. Catherine, Can.. | 1889 | .. | 1 | .. Probationer |
| Stanley B. Smith..... | Pierpont, S. D..... | 1889 | .. | 1 | .. Probationer |
| Ira A. Sparks..... | Armour, S. D..... | 1894 | 29 | 9 | Effective |
| Wm. Wesley Brown... | Thomasburg, Ont.... | 1894 | 32 | 6 | Superan. |
| Geo. B. Dodd..... | Colman, S. D..... | 1895 | 36 | 2 | .. Probationer |
| Nathan Fawell..... | Black Hills..... | 1897 | 34 | 6 | Effective |
| A. R. Boggs..... | Mitchell, S. D..... | 1899 | 64 | 29 | Superan. |
| Oliver H. Sproul..... | Northville, S. D.... | 1899 | 53 | 26 | Effective |
| Francis A. Burdick.... | University Pl., Neb.. | 1900 | 28 | 43 | Superan. |
| H. T. Curl..... | Oakland, Cal..... | 1901 | 60 | 33 | Superan. |
| Hiram S. Coon..... | Kampeska, S. D.... | 1902 | 45 | 6 | Effective |
| Colin T. Cooper..... | Faulkton, S. D..... | 1903 | 35 | 4 | Effective |
| Geo. H. Parker..... | Andover, S. D..... | 1903 | 35 | 8 | Effective |
| Sanford Washburn.... | Chicago, Ill..... | 1904 | 74 | 41 | Superan. |
| Francis T. Nichols.... | Alcester, S. D..... | 1904 | 46 | 15 | Effective |
| William H. Cory..... | Seattle, Wash..... | 1904 | 54 | 19 | ... Supernum. |
| Wm. Underwood..... | White Lake, S. D.... | 1906 | 74 | 53 | Superan. |
| Lachlan McLean..... | Mitchell, S. D..... | 1907 | 59 | 26 | Effective |
| Thomas H. Walker..... | Siloam Springs, Ark. | 1908 | 72 | 36 | Superan. |
| Samuel F. Brown..... | Selby, S. D..... | 1908 | 83 | 49 | Superan. |
| Henry Preston..... | DeSmet, S. D..... | 1909 | 40 | 10 | Effective |
| W. F. Minty..... | Ethan, S. D..... | 1911 | 67 | 28 | Superan. |
| Oliver Williams..... | Mitchell, S. D..... | 1910 | 75 | 45 | Superan. |
| Frank Fox..... | Des Moines, Ia..... | 1911 | 45 | 13 | ... Supernum. |
| Henry M. Springer.... | Hartford, Vt..... | 1913 | 70 | 52 | Retired |
| Francis J. Norton..... | Yankton, S. D..... | 1912 | 61 | .. | Retired |
| Thos. Wilkinson..... | Siloam Springs, Ark. | 1914 | 76 | 44 | Retired |
| Duane Rifenbark..... | Big Stone City, S. D. | 1915 | 66 | 35 | Retired |
| Reuben N. Kratz..... | Sterling, O..... | 1914 | 69 | .. | ... Supernum. |
| Ernest Holgate..... | Redfield, S. D..... | 1915 | .. | 11 | Effective |

Memoirs

THE REV. DUANE RIFENBARK

The Rev. Duane Rifenbark died at his home in Big Stone City, S. D., at 5:30 A. M., Wednesday, November 25, 1914.

He was born at Lowville, Lewis County, New York, August 7, 1849. With his parents he removed to Taycheedah, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, at the age of seven. In the fall of 1872 he entered Lawrence University, Appleton, Wis., and was graduated with high honors in 1877. Among his classmates were Olin A. Curtis, Professor in Drew, and author of "Lectures in Systematic Theology," and other religious works; J. Scott Davis, who became a prominent Methodist minister; William H. Mylreen, attorney-general of the state of Wisconsin; Fannie Kennish, now Mrs. Fannie Earle, who has an enviable reputation as a member of the "League of American Pen-Women." He moved to Yankton County, Dakota Territory, in 1879. In the fall of that year he was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Rothman. They have resided in South Dakota ever since.

Brother Rifenbark taught school in Yankton until he was called of the Lord into the ministry in 1882, to which he responded promptly and unreservedly. He joined the Dakota Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the fall of 1882, and became a charter member of the Dakota Conference which was organized in 1885. He served as secretary of the Mission during the sessions of 1883 and 1884. He was chosen delegate to the General Conference of 1904, which met at Los Angeles, Cal. He received the honorary degree of D.D. from Tabor College, Tabor, Ia., in 1911.

He served the following charges during the thirty-two years of his itinerancy: Forestburg, 1882; Lodi, 1882-83; Lennox, 1883-86; Elk Point, 1886-90; Dell Rapids, 1890-91; Canton, 1891-96; Parker, 1896-99; Huron, 1905-09; Madison, 1909-10. From 1899 to 1905 Brother Rifenbark was presiding elder of the Watertown District.

It was during his pastorate at Madison, in December, 1910, that he was stricken with paralysis, permanently disabling his left side. He resigned his charge during the summer of 1911, and removed with his family to the shores of Big Stone Lake for a quiet home, with the hope that rest would restore him to health again. During this period his interest was keen in the work of the Church, and he was a regular attendant, and occasionally preached, or led a prayer meeting, or taught a Sunday School class in the local Church.

In the fall of 1912 the Big Stone Church requested the District Superintendent to appoint Brother Rifenbark as their pastor, which was done. He was returned at the last session of his conference for the third year, and preached with his usual power and fervency on his last earthly Sabbath, November 22. He literally died at his post.

He leaves a sorrowing and lonely wife, four sons, Olin M., pastor at Colman, S. D.; Roy D., osteopathic physician at Ortonville, Minn.; Howard H., principal of the High School at White Lake, S. D.; Lloyd I., osteopathic physician at Groton, S. D., and one daughter, Grace Emily, who has been at home with her parents. He is also survived by four brothers and one sister.

Funeral services were held in his own Church at Big Stone, on November 27, in charge of District Superintendent James S. Harkness. Eight clergymen were on the platform, several participating in the services. The Church was crowded with sincere mourners, the members and friends of the shepherdless flock. Superintendent Harkness preached briefly from Philippians 1:21, and J. P. Jenkins, a charter member of the conference, and close friend and fellow worker of the deceased for thirty-one years, paid tribute to his translated brother. Interment in the Big Stone cemetery.

Brother Rifenbark's life was nobly lived, his work was faithfully done, his end triumphant and glorious.

"Servant of God; well done!"

REUBEN N. KRATZ

Reuben N. Kratz was born in a log cabin, on the banks of the Chippeway, in the state of Ohio, July 2, 1845. He received what educational advantages the public schools of his youth afforded. Aspiring to become a teacher, he attended the High School of a neighboring town for a term, and also spent the summer in the Smithville Academy. In the autumn he was engaged to teach a country school. Here his meager salary was supplemented by teaching singing schools, for which his fine voice and musical talent especially fitted him.

He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in his young manhood. Early in his religious life he was given license "to exhort," and his services were in constant demand in the rural communities where he taught school. Finally he yielded to the conviction that he ought to preach and joined the Michigan Conference on "probation." He found the work of the large new circuit too heavy and his health broke. He returned for rest to his father's farm in Ohio. In 1873 he married Miss Amanda Miller, and for a few years was engaged in the lumber business with his father-in-law.

Brother and Sister Kratz became the parents of three boys, two of whom have grown to manhood: Mr. Fred Kratz of Murdo, S. D., and Mr. Carl Kratz of Mitchell. The family moved to South Dakota in 1882, and soon afterwards Brother Kratz secured a position in the United States Land Office at Mitchell. Later he was appointed registrar of this office. He was a charter member of the Church in Mitchell, and its first Sunday School Superintendent. He was one of the original trustees of the Dakota Wesleyan University and its first treasurer. He continued a member of the Board of Directors until his death. He was one of the organizers of the State Sunday School Association and one of its early presidents. He was a pioneer Chautauqua student, and in the first class of graduates in this state. For years he taught the great Bible class at the Lake Madison Chautauqua. He was a lay delegate to the General Conference at Cleveland, O., in 1896.

After the death of his beloved wife he gave all his time to the ministry, and as "supply" preacher served with great satisfaction a number of charges. In 1907, at the invitation of his brethren, he joined the Dakota Conference. Two years later he became a full member. His last charge was Broadland, where failing health compelled him to change his relation, and in 1913 he retired from the effective ranks. He died suddenly January 28, 1915.

Brother Kratz was a Bible student, a reader of good books, a sympathetic pastor, and a thoughtful preacher. He was a man of attractive personality, executive ability and business capacity. He was industrious and efficient. He was passionate in his devotion to the interest of the kingdom of God and dearly loved the Church.

I quote this from his autobiography: "In 1887 I registered a voluntary vow that of all the Lord would prosper me with I would turn one half of it into the building up of his kingdom. Since then I have kept a careful record, which reveals that up to this date (January 1, 1910), I have invested for the Lord over \$7,000 from this fund." He continued this practice until the end. "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Our brother now knows the deeper meaning of these gracious words, for he has received his inheritance, entered upon his reign and is with his Lord in the homeland.

ERNEST HOLGATE

Ernest Holgate came into this world January 21, 1879, at Todmorden, England, and departed from it April 22, 1915, at Redfield, S. D.

He died in the service. Never once did he think of giving up his beloved work. His last public service was on the Sabbath day before he was called home, when he assisted District Superintendent Harkness in the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. His words of comfort and good cheer to those participating in that beautiful service were peculiarly significant.

Mr. Holgate was a real minister of the gospel. An eloquent speaker, a profound thinker and reasoner; he drew large audiences. Broad-minded and generous, sympathetic and consistent, zealous and courageous, he won for himself a position of power in the charges where he ministered.

He was stricken in the very zenith and splendor of a noble career. Had he spared himself more, his time upon earth might have been extended, but he felt that he must labor for his Church and all it represented. His span of life was indeed short, but it was filled with such intense zeal and activity that he accomplished much. His was a labor of love and devotion, and not for pecuniary reward or public plaudits.

"The sweet memories of his noble life, his good work and deeds, his powerful messages, his sacrifices for others, can never die. His life was a brief one, but like the sparkling stream, it cheered and brightened all who came in contact with it."

He is survived by his wife, Mary Holgate, who was a true and helpful companion to him in his work and during his last illness. Three little sons, Clare, Everett and Francis, also survive him. The friends who mourn his loss will not forget the family so suddenly bereft of husband and father. "To the noble and stricken wife he is not dead, for his freed spirit still communes with her in a thousand tender recollections, and she lives amid the rich harvestings reaped by his genius."

He was buried at Redfield, S. D., from the Church which he so faithfully served and loved. Long before the time appointed for the service, throngs gathered at the Church and filled it to overflowing. The citizens of Redfield closed their places of business during the service as a tribute of esteem for

their departed citizen. Many beautiful floral offerings were sent by friends and societies, mute tributes of mourning for a departed friend. The Masonic Order, of which he was a member, attended the Church in a body, and rendered the beautiful and impressive burial service.

We mourn our friend, the gentle and kind heart, who never heard untouched a cry of distress; whose ambition was the alleviation of human misery and the salvation of human souls. We rejoice in the imperishable love and affection which began here on earth, and which we know will find supreme happiness in the full realization, in the countless ages, of the attributes and mercies of a loving Father.

He was recognized among his brother ministers as an uncommon man; a man of rare perceptive and receptive faculties, gathering impressions and knowledge from books, nature, and men. Sensitive at all times to his surroundings, he received impressions as readily as he gave them, making his relations in human intercourse mutually appreciative and sympathetic. We cannot tell the whole story of his life, but we do know—

“That the best portion of a good man’s life
Are his little, nameless, unremembered acts
Of kindness and of love.”

The members of the South Dakota Conference feel keenly the loss of their departed brother, but they rejoice in his profound convictions, his abounding faith, and his glorious achievements.

It requires an effort to realize that the familiar form of our dear friend can no longer be seen. It seems but yesterday that he stood in his pulpit, a living, intense, potential personality, radiating faith, hope, and sympathy to all who thronged to hear him, as he poured out his story of the forgiveness and love of the Christ.

“Our religion teaches us the inspired and comforting assurance that ‘though he were dead, yet shall he live.’ Now he sleeps in the calm serenity of death. The grave’s impenetrable shadows will be lifted and dispelled, for it is written, ‘he shall never die.’” He is gone from among us, and it will be many long years before we shall behold another like him. A grateful people mourn his loss and honor his memory.

We shall cherish the virtues of this man; we shall endeavor to emulate his example. We trust that in a better world at some future time we shall know the mystery, solve the problem, and understand that it is the purpose of a wise Providence that this should be but the training school, and death the open door through which we will pass to a better world beyond.

“He was a man, take him for all in all,
I shall not look upon his like again.”

MRS. GRACE DAVIS HARTUNG

Mrs. Grace Davis Hartung, wife of the Rev. W. E. Hartung of Spearfish, S. D., died at the Methodist Deaconess Hospital, Rapid City, S. D., September 1, 1915, aged forty-one years, ten months and three days.

Grace Agnes Davis, daughter of the Rev. S. M. Davis, a local preacher, was born at Greeley, Ia., October 27, 1873. Her Christian experience dates from her early childhood. Born in a parsonage home, at the early age of eleven she began her Church activities as organist for her father in his regular and evangelistic work. She early became a personal worker in the

Church, and was never so happy as when leading others to Christ. She continued as her father's right-hand support until her marriage on September 20, 1893, to the Rev. William E. Hartung, now of this conference. Since then she has labored as a minister's wife in constantly enlarging fields of service. For the last eight years her specially chosen field has been the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, where her constant and unceasing labors, both in the local auxiliaries and as district secretary, contributed much to the joy of her life, and were unusually fruitful in results. She was a successful organizer and a public speaker of more than ordinary ability. She was always found in the front rank of all Church work. Being a musician of marked ability, she always saw that there was no lack of suitable music in Church and Sunday School. She was active in Sunday School, Epworth League, and practically all branches of the Lord's work, and no sacrifice was too great for her to make when the Master needed her services.

Now she "rests from her labors" and is "forever with the Lord."

Sister Hartung was the mother of four children, all of whom survive her. Raymond D., aged twenty-one, who is on a ranch in the Black Hills; Frederick S., sixteen, a student at Dakota Wesleyan University; Lucile B., seventeen; and Dorothy E., eight, who are at home with the bereft father in Spearfish. Beside these she leaves behind a heart-stricken father, who for more than fifty years has been an active minister in the Methodist Church, two sisters, Mrs. Eva Johnston of Wisconsin, and Mrs. Bertha Wingard, a widow, who is still with her father, and John Nelson, a brother, residing in California.

The funeral services were held in the Methodist Church in Rapid City Friday, September 3, at 3:30 p. m. District Superintendent C. E. Matteson was in charge, and spoke from the words, "She hath done what she could." The Rev. W. J. Calfee of Lead, an old time friend of the family, also made comforting remarks. The Rev. J. M. Tibbetts, the Rev. Homer Minish, the Rev. Dr. Edwards, and the Rev. A. H. Beardsley, also assisted in the services. The pall-bearers were chosen from among the clergy, and the remains were laid away in Mountain View cemetery, Rapid City.

MRS. JENNIE BOOTHROYD NICHOLSON

Jennie Boothroyd was born in Ontario, Canada, February 4, 1861, and died in her home at East Orange, N. J., Monday afternoon, May 10, 1915.

Her parents went to Minnesota when she was a small child, settling near Alexandria. They remained there until their death, which occurred within the past three years. She remained in Canada with an aunt, and while living with her at Hamilton, Ontario, she met and married the Rev. Thomas Nicholson. After marriage they spent five years in Michigan, where Dr. Nicholson was in the ministry, four years in Chicago, where he served as pastor of the Fowler Church, nine years in Mount Vernon, Ia., where he was a member of the faculty of Cornell College, five years in Mitchell, where he was president of Dakota Wesleyan University, and seven years in East Orange, N. J., which has been their home since Dr. Nicholson has been the secretary of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Two daughters were born to Dr. and Mrs. Nicholson: Miss Grace B., teacher of piano in the Illinois Woman's College at Jacksonville, and Miss Florence M., preceptress and teacher of English at Grand Prairie Seminary, Onarga, Ill.

Mrs. Nicholson had been seriously ill but a short time. In March she came West to Chicago, when her daughter, Florence, underwent an operation for appendicitis, and returned home suffering from the grippe. Pneumonia developed, followed by heart and liver complications, from which she could not rally.

Funeral services were held at the family residence at East Orange, Tuesday evening, May 11, at which tributes were spoken by Dr. William V. Kelley, Bishop Luther B. Wilson, and her pastor, Dr. Fred Clare Baldwin, of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church.

Final services and interment took place at Mount Vernon, Ia., on Friday morning, May 14. The funeral was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which for many years she was an active member. At this service Bishop Homer C. Stuntz made the principal address, followed by remarks by President Emeritus W. F. King, Dr. J. O. Dobson, and Dr. John H. Race, referring principally to her beautiful and useful life in Mount Vernon, Mitchell, S. D., and East Orange, N. J., respectively.

Soon after Mrs. Nicholson became a member of the Calvary Methodist Church at East Orange, she became actively identified with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, first as chairman of the Department of Literature, and later as president of the Auxiliary, which office she held at the time of her death. She was also vice-president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Newark District.

Many of us are not dependent upon the beautiful tributes of Eastern friends, gratifying as they are, to assist us in forming our estimate of the character and worth of Sister Nicholson. We knew her as she lived, and labored beside her husband at Mitchell for several years.

A modest, retiring woman, serene and nobly dignified, giving one even on slight acquaintance the assurance that she possessed much reserve strength. She was a queen in the home, she filled perfectly her place as the wife of a college president, she was active in the Church, though in a quiet way, and her life and character radiated the sweetness and the beauty of the true Christian. The sympathy of the entire conference goes out to our beloved brother, Thomas Nicholson, and to his motherless daughters in these days of increasing loneliness.

There can be nothing better to sustain in sorrow than the Master's own words in the death chamber, when they are fully understood and realized: "Fear not; weep not; believe only."

SELINA STONE BOWLER

Selina Stone Bowler, wife of the Rev. J. W. Bowler, was born in Cornwall, England, May 14, 1877. She left England on April 18, 1914, for America, and arrived at Aberdeen, S. D., April 28, and was married the same day.

The Rev. J. W. Bowler was pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Bowdle, and Sister Bowler soon found a large place in the affections of the people with whom she labored. She was a beautiful character, of gracious temperament, and greatly loved by the people.

Her death was a triumphant one, and though far from her home of former years, she was graciously sustained in her closing days, and finally triumphed most gloriously. She left us March 21, 1915, aged thirty-seven years, ten months and seven days.

Minutes of Laymen's Association for 1915

The Laymen's Association of the Dakota Methodist Conference met at Sioux Falls in connection with the Annual Conference, October 9, 1915. This being the year for the election of delegates to the Quadrennial Conference to be held at Saratoga Springs in May, 1916, the work of the association had in a large measure to give way to that of the Lay Electoral Conference. For this reason, no formal program had been prepared, and no attempt made to hold any meeting of the Lay Association until Saturday afternoon.

On Saturday morning the Lay Electoral Conference, the delegates to the Laymen's Association, and other visiting laymen, met with the conference for a joint meeting to consider the question of proper provision for the Conference Claimants. This meeting was addressed by Dr. J. T. B. Smith, who represented the Conference Claimants, and by A. T. Downey of Mitchell as representative of the laymen of Dakota Conference.

All laymen met for a get-together luncheon, served by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church, at twelve-thirty Saturday. At the close of the luncheon the meeting was called to order in the Presbyterian Church by Dr. F. W. Minty of Rapid City, president of the Laymen's Association. The minutes of the meeting of 1914 were read and approved, the regular committees were appointed and asked to retire and bring in their reports. Dr. Minty then gave a very interesting and helpful address as president of the association. This was followed by a short talk on the question of "Tithing," by Dr. Fox of Wessington Springs.

The nominating committee, consisting of the following persons, then reported as follows:

Mitchell District.....W. M. McDonald, Mount Vernon
Aberdeen District.....T. A. Hersey, Conde
Watertown District.....L. S. Madson, Watertown,
Rapid City District.....Mr. Cox, Rapid City
Sioux Falls District.....C. A. Laurson, Madison

The Nominating Committee of the Laymen's Association of the Dakota Conference makes the following nominations of candidates for officers for the ensuing year:

For President, Dr. F. W. Minty, Rapid City, S. D.
For Vice-President, E. H. Smith, Conde, S. D.
Aberdeen District.
Watertown District, E. O. Rodman, Watertown, S. D.
Rapid City District, Ralph Matteson, Hot Springs, S. D.
Mitchell District, C. A. Boreson, Ethan, S. D.
Sioux Falls District, Edgar Dean, Canton, S. D.
For Secretary-Treasurer, A. T. Downey, Mitchell, S. D.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. LAURSON, *Secretary Committee.*

Committee on Resolutions, consisting of the following persons, then reported as follows:

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Aberdeen District | Mr. Carpenter |
| Watertown District | L. M. Harris |
| Mitchell District | C. S. Bobb |
| Sioux Falls District..... | Van Meter of Hartford |
| Rapid City District..... | Mr. Sellars |

The Committee on Resolutions of the Lay Association then presented the following resolutions:

First—"We declare our loyal allegiance to the principles of the great Methodist Episcopal Church in all its departments."

Second—"We wish to express our appreciation to the people of Sioux Falls for the hospitality extended to us during our conference."

Third—"We indorse the proceedings of the Lay Convention on the question of National Prohibition and Woman's Suffrage."

Fourth—"We are in favor of lay representation in our Annual Conference."

Fifth—"We are opposed to any change in the disciplinary rule on the amusement question."

Sixth—"We are in favor of consolidation of some of the advocates of our Church that they may be put on a paying basis."

Seventh—"We are in favor of uniting the Methodist Church, South, with our Methodist Church, North."

Eighth—"We tender our thanks to the trustees of the Presbyterian Church and the ladies for their excellent entertainment and the use of their Church."

Ninth—"We wish to express our appreciation of the brotherly love, instruction, counsel, and encouragement of our Bishop."

The above report was adopted, section by section, as read. The section in regard to the amusement question called forth considerable discussion.

The Committee on Dakota Wesleyan, consisting of the following persons, then reported as follows:

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Mitchell District..... | W. T. McConnell |
| Aberdeen District | Mr. Brown, Aberdeen |
| Sioux Falls District..... | A. I. Oaks |
| Watertown District..... | G. F. Knappen |
| Rapid City District..... | Mrs. Frank Scarlett |

"WHEREAS, Dakota Wesleyan University is the school to which we owe our fealty as Methodists; and

"WHEREAS, We count ourselves fortunate that we have an institution of such recognized worth; and

"WHEREAS, We appreciate the zeal and untiring work of the faculty, mainly at a salary incommensurate with their ability, and thus as truly doing a missionary work as any in the foreign field; be it

"*Resolved*, That we pledge our unswerving loyalty and support and urgent claims upon every member of our denomination. Further, that we urge our membership to pay all pledges made promptly on or before due, and as the needs are ever present, that further help be given as we are prospered."

Financial Statement

Financial report for 1915 was then presented by A. T. Downey, secretary-treasurer.

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| Balance on hand from 1914..... | \$ 2.79 |
| Received from Churches as follows: | |
| First M. E. Church, Mitchell..... | 8.75 |
| G. N. Gage, Valley Springs Charge..... | 2.00 |
| F. C. Page, Mellette..... | 2.00 |
| J. M. Hunter, Conference Treasurer..... | 10.00 |
| W. S. Carpenter, Andover..... | 2.50 |

Balance on hand October 15, 1915.....\$28.04

The reports of committees having been approved, report of the treasurer having been approved, it was moved and carried that we do now adjourn.

Signed: A. T. DOWNEY, *Secretary*.

LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE

Excerpts of Minutes

Sioux Falls, S. D., October 8, 1915.

Meeting held in the Presbyterian Church, being called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the secretary of the preceding Lay Electoral Conference.

W. M. McDonald of Mount Vernon, S. D., was chosen as temporary president, and formally called the meeting to order.

A committee, consisting of one from each district, was selected to act on credentials, return and make report designating those members present duly elected and qualified and entitled to seats in conference.

A committee of three was also selected to receive, consider and present resolutions.

The temporary organization was made permanent by motion duly made, seconded and carried.

In the matter of the election of delegates to the General Conference, action, by proper motion, seconded and carried, was taken to proceed to vote on candidates for delegates to the General Conference in the same manner as that which obtained in the Dakota Annual Conference. The chair appointed one teller from each district to distribute and receive ballots for nominees on formal balloting, instructing each delegate present to vote for three persons, the number of delegates to be elected, and each person receiving a majority of the votes cast would be declared duly elected as a delegate.

First Ballot—No election.

Second Ballot—W. T. McConnell, of Wessington Springs, elected; William Carpenter, of Andover, elected.

Third Ballot—No election.

Fourth Ballot—W. E. Daniels, of Madison, elected.

The chair, therefore, declared W. T. McConnell, of Wessington Springs, William Carpenter of Andover, and W. E. Daniels of Madison, duly elected as delegates to represent the Lay Electoral Conference at the General Conference.

The conference next proceeded to elect three alternates, or reserve delegates, in the same manner as in the election of the regular delegates. The result of the vote was as follows:

First Ballot—E. E. Collins, of Vermilion, J. M. Johnston, of Bradley, and F. W. Minty, of Rapid City, elected.

The chair declared that the three persons elected on the first ballot, having received the majority of votes cast, were duly elected as alternate or reserve delegates to the General Conference.

During the interim in which the vote was being taken on the selection of delegates, the consideration of the Mississippi proposition was presented and discussed. After considerable discussion and explanation of the proposition, vote was taken on the same, which resulted in the proposition being approved by vote of fifty-three in the affirmative and two in the negative.

The hour being late, it was moved that the meeting adjourn until eight-thirty o'clock on Saturday morning, October 9, to meet in joint session with the ministers in the Dakota Conference at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, and thereafter to resume the regular session in the Presbyterian Church.

Upon the reconvening of the Lay Electoral Conference in the Methodist Episcopal Church upon Saturday morning, October 9, R. L. Brown of Aberdeen, voting in the affirmative, moved that action of the preceding date taken on the Mississippi proposition, be reconsidered. Same was carried. The Rev. Thomas Nicholson being present, was asked to further elucidate and explain the proposition.

Vote being taken resulted in the proposition being approved by vote of forty-five affirmative and two negative.

The resolutions from the Philadelphia Annual Conference were presented for consideration. Motion made to disapprove the same was seconded and carried upon the following count vote: Affirmative, forty-one; negative, none.

In the matter of the Colorado proposed constitutional amendments, it was moved that this conference vote the adoption of the amendments as proposed.

Vote being taken resulted in affirmative fourteen and negative twenty-nine.

In the matter of the Montana proposed constitutional amendments, motion was made to approve the same, which was duly seconded, and upon count vote resulted in thirty-two affirmative and one negative.

In the Wilmington Conference proposed amendments to the constitution, motion was made to vote on the resolution in approval thereof, and upon count vote result was in affirmative none, and negative forty-three.

The following resolutions were submitted and offered for consideration:

Resolved, That as Christian men and women, we thoroughly endorse the work of the Christian Temperance Union, and Anti-Saloon League, in the interest of state-wide prohibition, and will do all in our power to make South Dakota a dry state in 1916. And be it further

Resolved, That we approve the amendment giving the ballot to women, and will earnestly endeavor to aid the adoption of this movement by the votes of our state in 1916.

It is moved that the foregoing resolutions be adopted and have the approval of the Lay Electoral Conference. The same was duly seconded, and upon vote being taken was unanimously carried.

The Committee on resolutions offered the following:

WHEREAS, This Lay Electoral Conference has been privileged to meet and convene again in connection with the Dakota Annual Conference and has been in receipt of many courtesies extended by the said Annual Conference; and

WHEREAS, The Sioux Falls charge, under leadership of its able pastor, has been untiring in its efforts to entertain and make comfortable our sojourn in this city; and

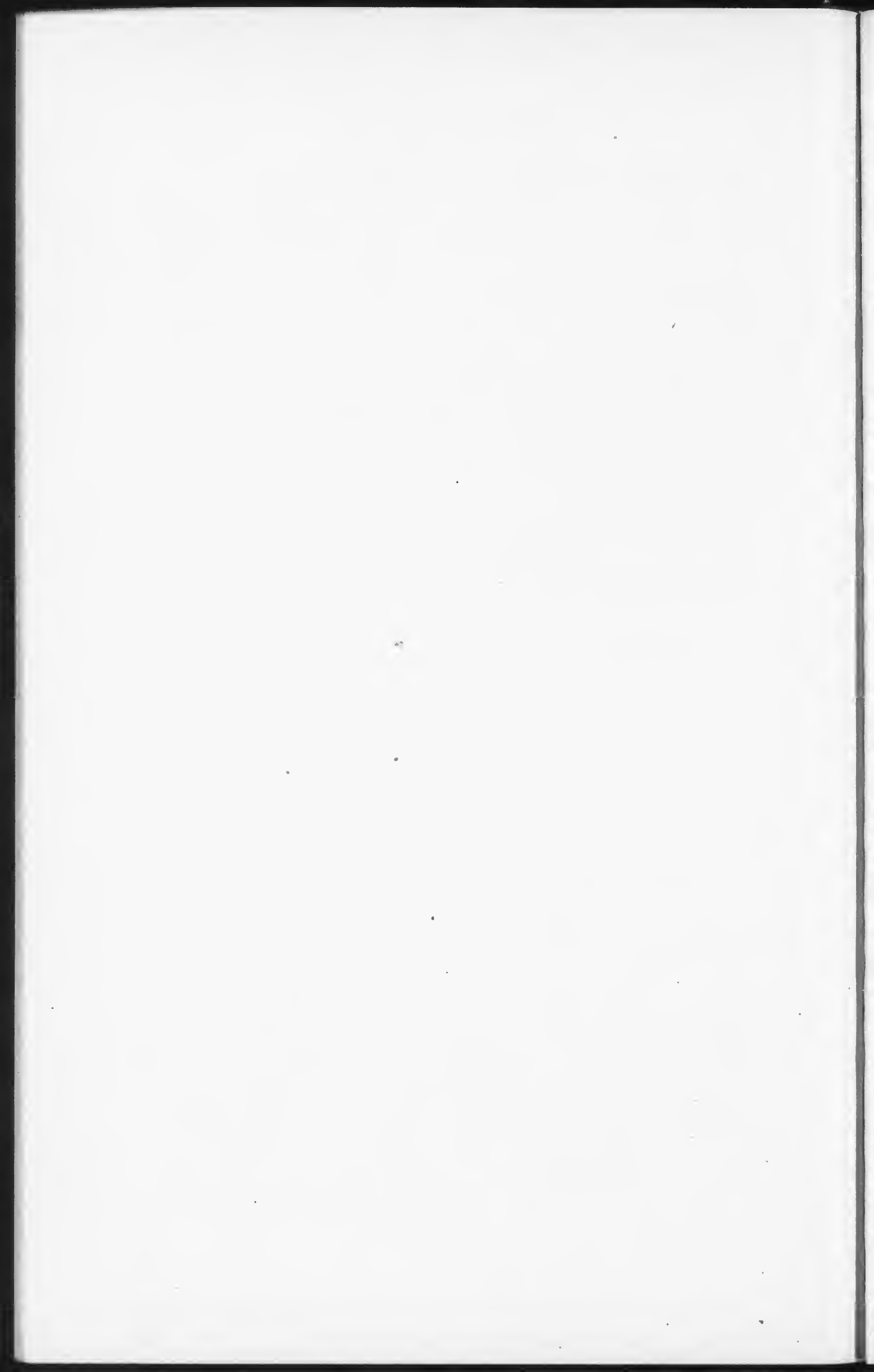
WHEREAS, We are privileged to meet in the beautiful and commodious Presbyterian Church, with every convenience in hand and many courtesies provided for; therefore

Be It Resolved by this Lay Electoral Conference that we herewith extend to the Sioux Falls charge, the Presbyterian congregation, and the ladies of the Presbyterian Church our sincere and heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the privileges and courtesies shown and extended, and we wish particularly to express our gratitude and thanks to the ladies of the Presbyterian Church for the excellent lunch provided, which was enjoyed immensely and offered splendid opportunity for the exercise of good fellowship and enthusiasm for future work.

Upon motion duly made and seconded that the foregoing resolution be adopted the same was unanimously carried.

The work of the Lay Electoral Conference being completed, adjournment was taken, sine die.

LOUIS F. GRILL, *Secretary*.



STATISTICAL TABLES
1915

TREASURER'S REPORT—ABERDEEN DISTRICT

| List No. | NAME OF CHARGE | DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | MISSIONS | | | | | | EDUCATION | | | | BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS | |
| | | Board of For- eign Missions | | | Bd. Home Miss. & Church Exten. | | | Board of Education | | Freedmen's Aid Society | Conf. Educational Collection | Church | Sunday Schools (Total) |
| | | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Public Educational Collection | Children's Fund | | | | |
| 1 | Aberdeen | 610 | | | 100 | | | 20 | 106 | | 41 | *335 | 9 |
| 2 | Andover | 21 | | 68 | 10 | | 67 | 13 | 55 | | 3 | 216 | 12 |
| 3 | Ashton | 48 | | 7 | 48 | | | 8 | 35 | | 4 | 53 | 6 |
| 4 | Bath and Putney | 92 | 34 | 4 | 62 | | 4 | 11 | 45 | | 4 | 101 | 8 |
| 5 | Big Stone City | 101 | | | 87 | | | 15 | 76 | | | 540 | 12 |
| 6 | Bowdle | | | | | | | | | | | 30 | |
| 7 | Bristol | 13 | | 12 | 25 | | | 3 | 18 | | 3 | 10 | 2 |
| 8 | Britton | 81 | | 17 | 71 | | 17 | 15 | 65 | | 9 | 150 | 8 |
| 9 | Claremont | 45 | | 14 | 45 | | 14 | 6 | 48 | | 2 | 45 | 3 |
| 10 | Conde | 77 | | | 67 | | | 12 | 48 | | 8 | 255 | 9 |
| 11 | Corona | 10 | | 5 | 7 | | 3 | 2 | 12 | | 3 | 81 | 2 |
| 12 | Cresbard | 46 | | | 38 | | | 7 | 28 | | 10 | 135 | 5 |
| 13 | Cheney | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Devoe | 36 | 20 | 1 | 31 | | 1 | 5 | 23 | | 7 | 146 | 5 |
| 15 | Doland | 71 | | 10 | 57 | 5 | 10 | 9 | 30 | | 21 | 189 | 2 |
| 16 | Frankfort | 49 | | | 43 | | | 7 | 38 | | | 547 | 7 |
| 17 | Frederick | | | | 22 | | | | 10 | | | 31 | |
| 18 | Faulkton | 103 | 50 | | 90 | | | 15 | 65 | | 6 | 73 | 12 |
| 19 | Groton | 62 | 15 | 18 | 42 | | 18 | 10 | 36 | | 10 | 378 | 6 |
| 20 | Gettysburg | 5 | | | 5 | | | | | | 4 | | |
| 21 | Hecla | 16 | | 7 | 20 | | | 3 | 24 | | 4 | 51 | |
| 22 | Langford | 30 | | | 19 | | 6 | 9 | 37 | | 6 | 90 | 7 |
| 23 | Leola | | | | | | | | | | | 3 | |
| 24 | Mellette | 42 | | | 34 | | 7 | 8 | 35 | | 2 | | 4 |
| 25 | Milbank | 119 | | 38 | 114 | | 37 | 26 | 109 | | 5 | 229 | 13 |
| 26 | Northville | 15 | | 5 | 25 | | 5 | 6 | 15 | | 5 | 35 | 3 |
| 27 | Redfield | 163 | | 18 | 141 | | 16 | 27 | 80 | | 15 | 90 | 15 |
| 28 | Rockham | 61 | | | 53 | | | 9 | 38 | | | 106 | 6 |
| 29 | Seneca | 15 | | | 15 | | | | | | | 2 | 5 |
| 30 | Selby | 4 | | 3 | 4 | | 3 | 2 | | | | 16 | 2 |
| 31 | Sisseton | 132 | | | 113 | | | 20 | 90 | | 3 | 69 | 18 |
| 32 | Timber Lake | 10 | | | 8 | | | 1 | 6 | | 4 | 16 | 1 |
| 33 | Waubay and Summit | 5 | | 5 | 10 | | 4 | 1 | 2 | | 3 | | 1 |
| 34 | Webster | 56 | | 21 | 46 | | 21 | 12 | 58 | | 12 | 78 | 5 |
| 35 | Westport | 10 | | 13 | 15 | | | 2 | 8 | | 4 | 5 | 2 |
| 36 | White Rock | 80 | 10 | 10 | 67 | | 11 | 15 | 63 | | 2 | *64 | 7 |
| Total | | 2228 | 129 | 276 | 1534 | 5 | 244 | 299 | 1303 | | 200 | 4169 | 197 |

*D. W. U. Endowment. This column is not included in Benevolence totals.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE FOR 1915

| DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES—Continued | | | | | | | | | | OTHER BENEVOLENCES | | | List No. | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|
| Board of Conf. Claimants (Chicago) | Conference Cl'm'nts | Annual Conf. Investments | Church Temperance Society | Woman's Foreign Missionary Society | Woman's Home Missionary Society | American Bible Society | City Missionary or Church Ext. Society | Central Office Exp. Epworth League | Methodist Brotherhood Dues | Total Disciplinary Benevolences | Other Benevolences | Hospital | | Total Benevolences |
| | | | 5 | 329 | 202 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1424 | 144 | ..... | 1568 | 1 |
| | | | 5 | 53 | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 325 | 10 | ..... | 335 | 2 |
| | | | 2 | 4 | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 165 | ..... | ..... | 165 | 3 |
| | | | 2 | 64 | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 337 | 67 | ..... | 404 | 4 |
| | | | 5 | 206 | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 518 | 10 | ..... | 528 | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 30 | 6 |
| ..... | 1 | ..... | 2 | 116 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 199 | ..... | ..... | 199 | 7 |
| ..... | 2 | ..... | 3 | 106 | ..... | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 401 | 196 | 13 | 610 | 8 |
| | | | | 107 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 301 | 181 | ..... | 482 | 9 |
| | | | 2 | 1 | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 228 | 1 | ..... | 229 | 10 |
| ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 53 | ..... | 5 | 53 | 11 |
| | | | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 139 | 10 | ..... | 149 | 12 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 13 |
| | | | 1 | 71 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 204 | 185 | ..... | 389 | 14 |
| ..... | 2 | ..... | 1 | 15 | 3 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 242 | 256 | 55 | 553 | 15 |
| | | | 1 | 6 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 155 | 70 | 5 | 230 | 16 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 32 | ..... | ..... | 32 | 17 |
| | | | 3 | 118 | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 468 | 108 | ..... | 576 | 18 |
| ..... | 3 | ..... | 3 | 154 | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 387 | 2 | ..... | 389 | 19 |
| | | | | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 19 | ..... | ..... | 19 | 20 |
| | | | 1 | 2 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 85 | 4 | ..... | 80 | 21 |
| | | | 2 | 22 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 142 | ..... | ..... | 142 | 22 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3 | 23 |
| | | | 2 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 138 | ..... | ..... | 138 | 24 |
| | | | 5 | 214 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 694 | 6 | 39 | 739 | 25 |
| | | | 2 | 22 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 108 | ..... | ..... | 108 | 26 |
| | | | 5 | 187 | 52 | 10 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 738 | 20 | ..... | 758 | 27 |
| | | | 2 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 173 | 10 | ..... | 183 | 28 |
| | | | | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 36 | ..... | ..... | 36 | 29 |
| ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 25 | ..... | ..... | 25 | 30 |
| | | | 4 | 158 | ..... | 7 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 548 | 53 | 20 | 621 | 31 |
| | | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 32 | ..... | ..... | 32 | 32 |
| | | | 1 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 41 | ..... | ..... | 41 | 33 |
| | | | 2 | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 241 | ..... | 6 | 247 | 34 |
| | | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 56 | ..... | ..... | 56 | 35 |
| | | | 2 | 14 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 293 | 91 | ..... | 384 | 36 |
| 12 | | | 73 | 1984 | 257 | 106 | ..... | 24 | ..... | 8947 | 1424 | 143 | 10514 | ..... |

TREASURER'S REPORT—MITCHELL DISTRICT

| List No. | NAME OF CHARGE | DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | MISSIONS | | | | | | Freedmen's Aid Society | EDUCATION | | | BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS | |
| | | Board of For- eign Missions | | | Bd. Home Miss. & Church Exten. | | | | Board of Education | | Conf. Educational Collection | | |
| | | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | | Public Educational Collection | Children's Fund | | | |
| 1 | Alexandria | 58 | | | 48 | | | 12 | 45 | 6 | *273 | 26 | |
| 2 | Alpena | 64 | 16 | 32 | 60 | | 10 | 10 | 26 | 9 | 60 | 3 | 3 |
| 3 | Armour | 10 | | | 9 | | | 3 | | 10 | 161 | 3 | |
| 4 | Artesian | 60 | | 10 | 60 | | | 15 | 65 | 10 | 80 | | 5 |
| 5 | Bridgewater | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Chamberlain | 45 | | | 75 | | | 3 | 30 | 9 | 32 | 2 | |
| 7 | Colome | | | | | | | | 2 | | 5 | | |
| 8 | Dallas | 20 | | | 15 | | | 2 | 3 | 5 | | 2 | |
| 9 | Dudley | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Ethan | 49 | | | 43 | | | 7 | 31 | 3 | 15 | 6 | |
| 11 | Farmer | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | 64 | | 4 |
| 12 | Fulton | 25 | | | 15 | | | 10 | 9 | | 100 | 3 | |
| 13 | Geddes | 43 | | 18 | 35 | | 17 | 9 | 38 | 5 | 135 | 4 | 3 |
| 14 | Gregory | 6 | | | 6 | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 10 | | |
| 15 | Herrick and St. Charles | 5 | | | 5 | | | 1 | 2 | 2 | 8 | | 1 |
| 16 | Iona and Hamill | 10 | | | 8 | | | 2 | | | 25 | | |
| 17 | Kimball | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18 | Lakeview Circuit | 6 | | | 5 | | | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | |
| 19 | Lane | 10 | | | 10 | | | | 16 | 6 | | | |
| 20 | Letcher | 3 | | | | | | | 3 | | 66 | | |
| 21 | Mitchell | 400 | 100 | 100 | 300 | 140 | 50 | 40 | 1279 | 10 | 7654 | 15 | 20 |
| 22 | Mount Vernon | 30 | | 13 | 25 | | 10 | 8 | 18 | 5 | 210 | | 4 |
| 23 | Paxton Circuit | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24 | Plankinton | 34 | 32 | 10 | 27 | | 5 | 5 | 28 | 8 | 129 | 5 | |
| 25 | Platte | 23 | 22 | 4 | 17 | | 4 | 4 | 22 | 6 | 120 | 1 | 2 |
| 26 | Roswell | 18 | | | 21 | | | 4 | 10 | | 35 | 2 | |
| 27 | Springfield | 10 | | | 4 | | | 3 | 10 | 3 | 45 | | |
| 28 | Tripp | 40 | | 5 | 40 | | 5 | 14 | 66 | 5 | 8 | 11 | |
| 29 | Tyndall | 24 | | | 20 | | | 5 | | 5 | 133 | 4 | |
| 30 | Virgil | 30 | | | 26 | | | 5 | 19 | | 5 | 3 | |
| 31 | Wagner | 31 | 3 | | 27 | | | 3 | | 5 | 35 | 2 | |
| 32 | Wessington Springs | 387 | 146 | 15 | 218 | | 15 | 20 | 100 | 20 | 27 | | 39 |
| 33 | Woonsocket | 61 | | 12 | 46 | | 12 | 10 | 49 | 11 | 156 | 9 | |
| 34 | White Lake | 19 | | | 3 | | | | 6 | | 515 | | |
| 35 | Winner | 2 | | | 2 | | | | | 5 | | 1 | |
| | Total | 1524 | 319 | 219 | 1141 | 140 | 128 | 198 | 1882 | 154 | 10106 | 103 | 8 |

*D. W. U. Endowment. This column is not included in Benevolence totals.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE FOR 1915

| DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES—Continued | | | | | | | | | | OTHER BENEVOLENCES | | | List No. |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Board of Conf. Claimants (Chicago) | Conference Cl'm'nts | Church Temperance Society | Woman's Foreign Missionary Society | Woman's Home Missionary Society | American Bible Society | City Missionary or Church Ext. Society | Central Office Exp. Epworth League | Methodist Brotherhood Dues | Total Disciplinary Benevolences | Other Benevolences | Hospital | Total Benevolences | |
| | | 2 | 118 | 78 | 3 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 399 | 311 | ..... | 710 | 1 |
| | | 2 | 63 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 290 | 67 | ..... | 357 | 2 |
| | | 1 | ..... | 25 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 63 | ..... | ..... | 63 | 3 |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | ..... | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 255 | 88 | 25 | 368 | 4 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 |
| 2 | | 2 | 40 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 179 | 15 | ..... | 194 | 6 |
| | | | | | | | | | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 7 |
| | | 2 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 50 | ..... | ..... | 50 | 8 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 9 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 143 | ..... | ..... | 143 | 10 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 | ..... | ..... | 10 | 11 |
| | | 3 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 68 | ..... | ..... | 68 | 12 |
| 1 | | 1 | 17 | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 193 | 78 | ..... | 271 | 13 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 18 | ..... | ..... | 18 | 14 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 18 | 40 | ..... | 58 | 15 |
| | | | | | | | | | 20 | ..... | ..... | 20 | 16 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 16 | ..... | ..... | 16 | 17 |
| | | | 41 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 83 | 17 | ..... | 100 | 18 |
| | | | | | | | | | 6 | ..... | ..... | 6 | 19 |
| 20 | | 10 | 883 | 393 | 6 | 600 | 5 | 5 | 4376 | 918 | ..... | 5294 | 20 |
| | | 2 | 38 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 155 | 193 | ..... | 348 | 21 |
| | | 1 | 59 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 214 | 80 | ..... | 294 | 22 |
| | | 1 | 75 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 183 | 10 | ..... | 193 | 23 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 57 | 5 | ..... | 62 | 24 |
| | | | | 5 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 36 | 47 | ..... | 83 | 25 |
| | | 4 | 30 | 6 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 231 | 14 | ..... | 245 | 26 |
| | | | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 61 | ..... | ..... | 61 | 27 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 86 | 5 | ..... | 91 | 28 |
| | | | 1 | 32 | 1 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 107 | 66 | ..... | 173 | 29 |
| | | 5 | 419 | ..... | 10 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 1397 | 108 | ..... | 1505 | 30 |
| | | 2 | 92 | 26 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 334 | ..... | ..... | 334 | 31 |
| | | | 84 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 118 | 4 | ..... | 122 | 32 |
| 3 | | | | | | | 1 | ..... | 14 | ..... | ..... | 14 | 33 |
| 27 | 2 | 47 | 1965 | 565 | 56 | 605 | 20 | 6 | 9182 | 2066 | 25 | 11273 | 34 |

TREASURER'S REPORT—RAPID CITY DISTRICT

| List No. | NAME OF CHARGE | DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|
| | | MISSIONS | | | | | | Freedmen's Aid Society | EDUCATION | | | BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS | |
| | | Board of For- eign Missions | | | Bd. Home Miss. & Church Exten. | | | | Board of Education | | Conf. Educational Collection | | |
| | | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | | Public Educational Collection | Children's Fund | | | |
| 1 | Bellefourche | 10 | ..... | 5 | 5 | ..... | 10 | 2 | 6 | ..... | * | 1 | ..... |
| 2 | Boneita Springs | 2 | ..... |  | 2 | ..... |  |  | 2 | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 3 | Caputa and Creston . . . . . |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 4 | Custer | 10 | ..... | 3 | 10 | ..... |  | 2 | 5 | ..... | 6 | 2 | ..... |
| 5 | Deadwood | 47 | ..... | 13 | 37 | ..... | 13 | 8 | 40 | ..... | 10 | 6 | ..... |
| 6 | Draper | | 3 | | | | | | 2 | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 7 | Edgemont | 13 | ..... | 2 | 12 | ..... |  | 3 | 5 | ..... |  | 2 | ..... |
| 8 | Harding | 12 | ..... |  |  | ..... |  | 4 | 12 | ..... | 1 |  | ..... |
| 9 | Hot Springs | 40 | ..... |  | 40 | ..... |  | 15 | 25 | ..... | 3 | 5 | ..... |
| 10 | Kennebec | 15 | ..... | 5 | 15 | ..... |  | 4 | 12 | ..... | 6 | 3 | ..... |
| 11 | Lead | 5 | ..... | 6 | 3 | ..... |  | 1 | 5 | ..... |  | 3 | ..... |
| 12 | Midland and Hays | 10 | ..... |  | 10 | ..... |  | 3 | 14 | ..... |  | 3 | ..... |
| 13 | Murdo | 2 | 10 | | 6 | ..... |  | 2 | 7 | ..... | 3 |  | ..... |
| 14 | Newell | 4 | ..... |  | 4 | ..... |  | 2 |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 15 | Nowlin and Capa | | 1 |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 16 | Oelrichs | 1 | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  | 16 | ..... | 2 | 14 | ..... |
| 17 | Oral and Buffalo | 3 | ..... |  | 3 | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 18 | Piedmont . . . . . |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 19 | Philip and Quinn . . . . . |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 20 | Plainview | 3 | ..... |  | 2 | ..... |  |  |  | ..... | 5 |  | ..... |
| 21 | Rapid City | 50 | ..... | 12 | 30 | ..... | 10 | 3 | 7 | ..... | 2 | 5 | 3 |
| 22 | Spearfish | 20 | 5 | 5 | 20 | ..... | 5 | 5 | 23 | ..... | 2 | 42 | 3 |
| 23 | Sturgis | 5 | ..... | 3 | 5 | ..... |  | 1 | 2 | ..... | 35 | 1 | ..... |
| 24 | Sturgis Circuit . . . . . |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 25 | Wall and Wasta | 4 | ..... |  | 4 | ..... |  |  | 4 | ..... | 1 |  | ..... |
| 26 | Terraville . . . . . |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 27 | Terry . . . . . |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 28 | Vivian and Presheo | 6 | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... | 7 | 5 | ..... |
| 29 | Weta and Interior | 4 | ..... |  | 1 | ..... |  |  | 2 | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| 30 | Whitewood . . . . . |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |  |  |  | ..... |  |  | ..... |
| | Total | 266 | 19 | 54 | 209 | ..... | 43 | 55 | 189 | 25 | 1723 | 31 | 5 |

*D. W. U. Endowment. This column is not included in Benevolence totals.

†\$1500 in annuity form.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE FOR 1915

| DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES—Continued | | | | | | | | | | OTHER BENEVOLENCES | | | List No. |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Board of Conf. Claimants (Chicago) | Conference C'm'ts | Church Temperance Society | Woman's Foreign Missionary Society | Woman's Home Missionary Society | American Bible Society | City Missionary or Church Ext. Society | Central Office Exp. Epworth League | Methodist Brotherhood Dues | Total Disciplinary Benevolences | Other Benevolences | Hospital | Total Benevolences | |
| 4 | | 1 | 344 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 389 | ..... | ..... | 389 | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | | 6 | ..... | ..... | 6 | 2 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3 |
| 1 | | 1 | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 36 | 10 | 42 | 88 | 4 |
| | | 2 | 30 | 320 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 518 | 203 | ..... | 721 | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | | 5 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 6 |
| | | 1 | 50 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 89 | ..... | 110 | 199 | 7 |
| 1 | | | | | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 31 | ..... | ..... | 31 | 8 |
| | | 2 | 157 | 149 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 436 | 2 | ..... | 438 | 9 |
| | | | 5 | 5 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 79 | 40 | 17 | 136 | 10 |
| | | | | | | | 2 | ..... | 22 | 40 | 480 | 542 | 11 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 42 | ..... | 15 | 57 | 12 |
| ..... | 5 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 44 | ..... | 85 | 129 | 13 |
| | | 1 | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 15 | 4 | 203 | 222 | 14 |
| | | | | | | | | | 1 | 21 | 40 | 62 | 15 |
| | | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 21 | ..... | 76 | 97 | 16 |
| | | | | | | | | | 6 | ..... | 110 | 116 | 17 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 3 | 136 | 139 | 18 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | 72 | 72 | 19 |
| | | | | | | | | | 5 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 20 |
| 1 | 2 | 1 | 96 | 33 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 257 | ..... | ..... | 257 | 21 |
| 1 | | 2 | 54 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 146 | 595 | 381 | 1122 | 22 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 18 | 3 | 247 | 268 | 23 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 24 |
| | | | | | | | | | 12 | ..... | ..... | 12 | 25 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 26 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 27 |
| | | | | | | | | | 13 | ..... | ..... | 13 | 28 |
| | | | | | | | | | 7 | ..... | ..... | 7 | 29 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 30 |
| 8 | 7 | 16 | 737 | 509 | 17 | 2 | 16 | ..... | 2198 | 921 | 2014 | 5133 | |

TREASURER'S REPORT—SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT

| List No. | NAME OF CHARGE | DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | MISSIONS | | | | | | EDUCATION | | | BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS | |
| | | Board of For- eign Missions | | | Bd. Home Miss. & Church Exten. | | | Board of Education | | | | |
| | | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Public Educational Collection | Children's Fund | Conf. Educational Collection | Church | Sunday Schools (Total) |
| 1 | Alcester | 12 | | | 5 | | | 2 | 1 | *23 | 1 | |
| 2 | Beresford | 60 | | 15 | 50 | | | 9 | 40 | 26 | 9 | |
| 3 | Canistota | 79 | | 10 | 68 | | 9 | 13 | 55 | 49 | 8 | 2 |
| 4 | Canton | 103 | 70 | 46 | 84 | | 46 | 22 | 130 | 219 | 17 | |
| 5 | Centerville | 10 | 10 | 2 | 70 | | 2 | 1 | 25 | 3 | | |
| 6 | Chester | 26 | | | 25 | | | 2 | 15 | | | 2 |
| 7 | Colman | 30 | | 10 | 22 | | 8 | | 7 | 5 | 3 | |
| 8 | Colon | 25 | | | 20 | | | 5 | 36 | 30 | 6 | |
| 9 | Davis | 15 | | | 10 | | | 2 | | 3 | 2 | |
| 10 | Dell Rapids | 50 | 37 | | 50 | | | 10 | 50 | 277 | | |
| 11 | Egan | 60 | | | 55 | | | 9 | 30 | 71 | 10 | |
| 12 | Elk Point | | | 15 | 4 | | | | 5 | 1 | | 2 |
| 13 | Flandreau | 85 | 22 | 18 | 75 | | 18 | 15 | 55 | 15 | 319 | 10 |
| 14 | Flandreau Circuit | 5 | | | 5 | | | 3 | | 6 | 20 | |
| 15 | Garretson | 45 | | 8 | 38 | | 6 | 6 | 33 | 7 | 32 | 4 |
| 16 | Gayville | 100 | | | 86 | | | 15 | 62 | | 1172 | 11 |
| 17 | Harrisburg | 49 | | 3 | 42 | | 3 | 8 | 33 | | 60 | 6 |
| 18 | Hartford | 100 | 70 | 12 | 90 | | | 17 | 70 | 12 | 203 | |
| 19 | Howard | 40 | | 5 | 38 | | 5 | | 3 | 3 | 37 | 1 |
| 20 | Hudson | 10 | | 13 | 20 | | | 3 | 10 | 3 | 94 | 3 |
| 21 | Hurley | 50 | | | 39 | | | 10 | 30 | | 50 | 5 |
| 22 | Irene | | | | | | | 1 | | | 35 | |
| 23 | Junius | 31 | | 4 | 27 | | | 5 | 20 | 4 | | 1 |
| 24 | Lennox | 10 | | | | | | 3 | 10 | | 135 | |
| 25 | Madison | 72 | 130 | 8 | 63 | | 7 | 10 | 50 | 9 | 169 | 10 |
| 26 | Montrose | 29 | 10 | | 32 | | | 6 | 17 | | 50 | 4 |
| 27 | Parker | 100 | 41 | 4 | 97 | | | 25 | 75 | 10 | 188 | 15 |
| 28 | Salem | 40 | | | 40 | | | | | 10 | | 10 |
| 29 | Scotland | 10 | | | 8 | | | | 15 | 2 | | 2 |
| 30 | Sioux Falls—First | 200 | 290 | 210 | 240 | | 210 | 50 | 332 | 38 | | 41 |
| 31 | East Side | | | | | | | | | 1 | 5 | |
| 32 | Valley Springs | 41 | 46 | 5 | 59 | | 5 | 11 | 62 | 4 | 186 | 7 |
| 33 | Vermilion | 115 | | 15 | 100 | | 15 | 8 | 51 | 6 | 100 | 3 |
| 34 | Wakonda | 60 | | | 50 | | | 4 | 24 | | 148 | |
| 35 | Yankton | 85 | 25 | 15 | 50 | | 15 | 10 | 60 | | 61 | 2 |
| Total | | 1747 | 751 | 418 | 1602 | | 349 | 287 | 1406 | 156 | 3802 | 137 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | 92 |

*D. W. U. Endowment. This column is not included in Benevolence totals.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE FOR 1915

| DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES—Continued | | | | | | | | | | OTHER BENEVOLENCES | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Board of Conf. Claimants (Chicago) | Confer- ence Cl'm'nts | Annual Conf. Investments | Church Temperance Society | Woman's Foreign Missionary Society | Woman's Home Missionary Society | American Bible Society | City Missionary or Church Ext. Society | Central Office Exp. Epworth League | Methodist Brother- hood Dues | Total Disciplinary Benevolences | Other Benevolences | Hospital | Total Benevolences | List No. |
| 5 | | | 3 | 79 | | | | | | 100 | | | 100 | 1 |
| | | | 2 | 58 | | | | | | 251 | 119 | 7 | 377 | 2 |
| | | | 4 | 27 | | | | | | 285 | | | 285 | 3 |
| | | | | 168 | | | | | | 705 | 556 | 25 | 1286 | 4 |
| | | | | 251 | | | | | | 314 | 76 | | 390 | 5 |
| | | | 1 | | | | | | | 71 | | | 71 | 6 |
| | | | 1 | | | | | | | 90 | 22 | 14 | 126 | 7 |
| | | | 1 | | | | | | | 100 | 49 | | 149 | 8 |
| | | | 1 | 4 | | | | | | 40 | 138 | | 178 | 9 |
| | | | 2 | 103 | | | | | | 308 | 25 | | 333 | 10 |
| | | | | 20 | | | | | | 191 | 117 | 5 | 313 | 11 |
| | | | | 43 | | | | | | 72 | | | 72 | 12 |
| 5 | | | 3 | 177 | | | | | | 513 | 19 | 5 | 537 | 13 |
| | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 23 | | 9 | 32 | 14 |
| | | | 4 | 97 | | | | | | 257 | 285 | | 542 | 15 |
| | | | 3 | 6 | | | | | | 292 | 219 | 2 | 513 | 16 |
| | | | 1 | | | | | | | 150 | 30 | | 180 | 17 |
| | | | 3 | | | | | | | 382 | 114 | | 496 | 18 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 96 | 17 | 11 | 124 | 19 |
| | | | 1 | 13 | | | | | | 76 | | | 76 | 20 |
| | | | 3 | 51 | | | | | | 196 | 40 | 46 | 282 | 21 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 3 | | | 3 | 22 |
| | | | 1 | | | | | | | 98 | | | 98 | 23 |
| | | | | 85 | | | | | | 110 | 7 | | 117 | 24 |
| | | | 1 | 319 | 101 | | | | | 786 | 12 | 23 | 821 | 25 |
| | | | 1 | | | | | | | 101 | 463 | | 564 | 26 |
| | | | 5 | 225 | | | | | | 603 | 64 | | 667 | 27 |
| | | | | 62 | | | | | | 162 | 199 | | 361 | 28 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 37 | 38 | | 75 | 29 |
| | | | 15 | 559 | 215 | 15 | | | | 2415 | 231 | 8 | 2654 | 30 |
| | | | | 45 | | | | | | 46 | | | 46 | 31 |
| 1 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | 256 | 128 | | 384 | 32 |
| | | | 2 | 438 | 136 | 2 | | 2 | 3 | 896 | | | 896 | 33 |
| | | | 1 | 83 | | | | | | 224 | 200 | | 424 | 34 |
| | | | 2 | 139 | 21 | 4 | | | | 431 | 21 | 15 | 467 | 35 |
| 11 | 1 | | 64 | 3055 | 474 | 87 | 1 | 38 | 4 | 10680 | 3189 | 170 | 14039 | |

TREASURER'S REPORT—WATERTOWN DISTRICT

| List No. | NAME OF CHARGE | DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | MISSIONS | | | | | | EDUCATION | | | BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS | |
| | | Board of For- eign Missions | | | Bd. Home Miss. & Church Exten. | | | Board of Education | | | Church | Sunday Schools (Total) |
| | | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Public Educational Collection | Children's Fund | Conf. Educational Collection | | |
| 1 | Arlington | 40 | | 35 | 20 | | 30 | 12 | 70 | 10 | *220 | 10 |
| 2 | Agar | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Bradley | 40 | 5 | | 30 | | | 1 | 32 | 4 | 82 | 2 |
| 4 | Brookings | 150 | 401 | 21 | 120 | | 20 | 20 | 150 | 17 | 3070 | 10 |
| 5 | Blunt | | | 2 | | | | | | | | 23 |
| 6 | Broadland | 25 | | | 22 | | | 4 | 14 | | 102 | 3 |
| 7 | Bruce | | 59 | | 37 | | | 6 | 25 | | 20 | 4 |
| 8 | Burdette | 39 | 167 | 10 | 33 | | 10 | 7 | 31 | 10 | | 2 |
| 9 | Castlewood | 2 | | 5 | | | 1 | | | | | |
| 10 | Carpenter | 4 | 6 | | 2 | | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 91 | 2 |
| 11 | Clark | 123 | 33 | 45 | 105 | | | 17 | 15 | 13 | 284 | 5 |
| 12 | Clear Lake | 8 | | 4 | 7 | | | | 15 | | 61 | 1 |
| 13 | De Smet | 2 | | 2 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 18 | |
| 14 | Elkton | | | | | | | | | | 44 | |
| 15 | Esmond | 68 | 8 | 19 | 49 | | 19 | 11 | 50 | 6 | 252 | 5 |
| 16 | Florence | 6 | | 3 | 11 | | 6 | 7 | 11 | 7 | 25 | 2 |
| 17 | Garden City | 100 | 76 | 13 | 90 | | 8 | 17 | 70 | 8 | 49 | 10 |
| 18 | Gary | 30 | | | 27 | | | 5 | 19 | 7 | 36 | |
| 19 | Hazel | 132 | 5 | 1 | 106 | | 1 | 19 | 77 | 21 | 139 | 1 |
| 20 | Harrold | | | | 4 | | | | 13 | 3 | | |
| 21 | Henry | 93 | | 7 | 85 | | 5 | 10 | 63 | 8 | 25 | 2 |
| 22 | Highmore | 10 | | | 10 | | | 5 | 22 | 3 | 5955 | 4 |
| 23 | Hitchcock | 15 | | | 15 | | | 3 | 1 | 10 | 105 | 3 |
| 24 | Huron | 165 | 40 | 17 | 135 | | 17 | 15 | 100 | 13 | †13047 | 4 |
| 25 | Iroquois | 40 | 31 | 8 | 30 | | 8 | 6 | 42 | 2 | 145 | 2 |
| 26 | Lake Preston | | | | | | | | 10 | | 5 | |
| 27 | Miller | 25 | | | 25 | | | 4 | 20 | | 40 | |
| 28 | Oldham | | | | | | | | 9 | | | |
| 29 | Oneida | 21 | | | 20 | | | | | | 10 | |
| 30 | Okobojo | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 31 | Pierre | 25 | | 11 | 25 | | | 5 | 125 | 2 | 40 | 1 |
| 32 | Pearl Creek and Cavour | 11 | | | 9 | | | 4 | 19 | 1 | 75 | |
| 33 | St. Lawrence | 3 | 16 | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | 5 | 1 | | |
| 34 | Tulare | 72 | 54 | 12 | 62 | | 12 | 11 | 50 | 6 | 35 | 2 |
| 35 | Trenton | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 36 | Watertown | 125 | | 125 | 115 | | 110 | 50 | 107 | 10 | 745 | 25 |
| 37 | White | 61 | 2 | 9 | 38 | | | 2 | 40 | 2 | 48 | |
| 38 | Wessington | 5 | | | 5 | | | | | | | |
| 39 | Wolsey | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | 1440 | 902 | 350 | 1240 | | 250 | 245 | 1205 | 175 | 24768 | 90 |

*D. W. U. Endowment. This column is not included in Benevolence totals.

†Largely annuity.

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| | | DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES—Continued | | | | | | | | OTHER BENEVOLENCES | | | List No. |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Board of Conf. Claimants (Chicago) | Conference Cl'm'nts | Church Temperance Society | Woman's Foreign Missionary Society | Woman's Home Missionary Society | American Bible Society | City Missionary or Church Ext. Society | Central Office Exp. Epworth League | Methodist Brotherhood Dues | Total Disciplinary Benevolences | Other Benevolences | Hospital | Total Benevolences | |
| 5 | | 3 | 173 | ..... | 4 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 415 | 5 | 17 | 437 | 1 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 2 |
| | | 10 | 497 | 153 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 116 | 8 | 23 | 147 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | | 1602 | 317 | 43 | 1962 | 4 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 5 |
| | | 1 | 61 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 70 | ..... | ..... | 70 | 6 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 195 | ..... | ..... | 195 | 7 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 317 | ..... | ..... | 317 | 8 |
| | | | | | | | | | 8 | ..... | ..... | 8 | 9 |
| | | 1 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 22 | 80 | 2 | 104 | 10 |
| | | 5 | 225 | ..... | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 605 | 60 | 39 | 704 | 11 |
| | | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 41 | 16 | 5 | 62 | 12 |
| | | | | | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 | ..... | ..... | 10 | 13 |
| | | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 | 29 | 11 | 50 | 14 |
| | | 2 | 90 | ..... | 4 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 337 | 60 | ..... | 397 | 15 |
| | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 60 | 46 | ..... | 106 | 16 |
| | | 3 | 92 | ..... | 6 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 498 | 139 | ..... | 637 | 17 |
| | | 3 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 97 | 10 | ..... | 107 | 18 |
| | | 3 | 94 | 65 | 7 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 548 | 264 | 5 | 817 | 19 |
| | | | | | | | | | 20 | ..... | ..... | 20 | 20 |
| | | 3 | 87 | ..... | 4 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 376 | 22 | 6 | 404 | 21 |
| | | 2 | 2 | ..... | 4 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 63 | 9 | ..... | 72 | 22 |
| | | 1 | 130 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 179 | 5 | ..... | 184 | 23 |
| 24 | | 8 | 154 | ..... | 16 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 731 | 163 | ..... | 894 | 24 |
| | | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 178 | 57 | 8 | 243 | 25 |
| | | | | | | | | | 10 | 50 | ..... | 60 | 26 |
| | | 2 | 37 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 113 | 59 | ..... | 172 | 27 |
| | | | | | | | | | 9 | 12 | ..... | 21 | 28 |
| | | | | | | | | | 41 | ..... | ..... | 41 | 29 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 30 |
| | | 2 | 150 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 354 | ..... | ..... | 354 | 31 |
| 2 | | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 47 | 5 | ..... | 52 | 32 |
| | | 1 | 24 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 57 | 139 | ..... | 196 | 33 |
| | | 2 | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 298 | 104 | ..... | 402 | 34 |
| | | | 60 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 60 | ..... | ..... | 60 | 35 |
| | | 5 | 399 | ..... | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1076 | 51 | ..... | 1127 | 36 |
| | | 1 | 219 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 376 | 34 | ..... | 410 | 37 |
| | | | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 22 | ..... | ..... | 22 | 38 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 39 |
| 31 | | 76 | 2496 | 219 | 88 | ..... | 22 | ..... | 8567 | 1864 | 169 | 10600 | |

TREASURER'S REPORT—RECAPITULATION

| List No. | NAME OF DISTRICT | DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | MISSIONS | | | | | | EDUCATION | | | | BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS | |
| | | Board of For- eign Missions | | | Bd. Home Miss. & Church Exten. | | | Board of Education | | Conf. Educational Collection | Freedmen's Aid Society | Church | Sunday Schools (Total) |
| | | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Church | Special Gifts | Sunday Schools | Public Educational Collection | Children's Fund | | | | |
| 1 | Aberdeen | 2228 | 129 | 276 | 1534 | 5 | 244 | 299 | 1303 | 200 | 4169 | 197 | 66 |
| 2 | Mitchell | 1524 | 319 | 219 | 1141 | 140 | 128 | 198 | 1882 | 154 | 10106 | 103 | 81 |
| 3 | Rapid City | 266 | 19 | 54 | 209 | ..... | 43 | 55 | 189 | 25 | 1723 | 31 | 5 |
| 4 | Sioux Falls | 1747 | 751 | 418 | 1602 | ..... | 349 | 287 | 1406 | 156 | 3802 | 137 | 92 |
| 5 | Watertown | 1440 | 902 | 350 | 1240 | ..... | 250 | 245 | 1205 | 175 | 24768 | 125 | 90 |
| | Total | 7205 | 2120 | 1317 | 5726 | 145 | 1014 | 1084 | 5985 | 710 | 44568 | 593 | 334 |
| | Last Year | 6757 | 1951 | 1321 | 5763 | 139 | 1227 | 1171 | 531 | 609 | 5044 | 506 | 422 |
| | Increase | 448 | 169 | | | 6 | | | 5454 | 101 | 39524 | 87 | |
| | Decrease | | | 4 | 37 | | 213 | 87 | | | | | 88 |

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| DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES—Continued | | | | | | | | | | OTHER BENEVOLENCES | | | List No. |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Board of Conf. Claimants (Chicago) | Annual Conf. Investments | Church Temperance Society | Woman's Foreign Missionary Society | Woman's Home Missionary Society | American Bible Society | City Missionary or Church Ext. Society | Central Office Exp. Epworth League | Methodist Brotherhood Dues | Total Disciplinary Benevolences | Other Benevolences | Hospital | Total Benevolences | |
| 12 | ..... | 73 | 1984 | 257 | 106 | ..... | 24 | ..... | 8947 | 1424 | 143 | 10514 | 1 |
| 27 | 2 | 47 | 1965 | 565 | 56 | 605 | 20 | 6 | 9182 | 2066 | 25 | 11273 | 2 |
| 8 | 3 | 16 | 737 | 509 | 17 | 2 | 16 | ..... | 2198 | 921 | 2014 | 5133 | 3 |
| 11 | 1 | 64 | 3055 | 474 | 87 | 1 | 33 | 4 | 10680 | 3189 | 170 | 14039 | 4 |
| 31 | ..... | 76 | 2496 | 219 | 88 | ..... | 22 | ..... | 8567 | 1864 | 169 | 10600 | 5 |
| 89 | 10 | 276 | 10237 | 2024 | 354 | 608 | 120 | 10 | 39574 | 9464 | 2521 | 51559 | |
| 180 | 4 | 280 | 9876 | 4071 | 493 | 45 | 97 | 17 | 40404 | 8449 | 1563 | 50416 | |
| ..... | 6 | ..... | 361 | ..... | ..... | 563 | 23 | ..... | ..... | 1015 | 958 | 1143 | |
| 91 | ..... | 4 | ..... | 2047 | 139 | ..... | ..... | 7 | 830 | ..... | ..... | ..... |  |

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—ABERDEEN DISTRICT

| List No. | NAME OF CHARGE | NAME OF PASTOR | MINISTERIAL SUPPORT | | | | | | | | | | | | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|----------------------------------|------|---|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--|
| | | | Support of Pastor | | | | Support of Dist. Supt. | | Support of Bishops | | Support of Conf. Claim'nts | | Total Paid for Min- isterial Support | Total Deficiency | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Total Enrollment in all Departments |
| | | | Total Cl'm In. House Rent | Total P'd Inc. House Rent | Rental Value of Parsonage | Deficiency | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | | | | | |
| 1 | Aberdeen | O. W. Taylor | 2400 | 2400 | ..... | ..... | 200 | 200 | 40 | 40 | 70 | 70 | 2710 | ..... | 1 | 28 | 577 |
| 2 | Andover | L. L. Layne | 1200 | 1200 | 200 | ..... | 100 | 100 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1335 | ..... | 1 | 11 | 183 |
| 3 | Ashton | J. E. McKinney | 930 | 930 | 180 | ..... | 67 | 67 | 11 | 11 | 23 | 23 | 1031 | ..... | 1 | 11 | 108 |
| 4 | Bath and Putney | R. E. Rich | 1000 | 1000 | 200 | ..... | 72 | 72 | 16 | 16 | 30 | 30 | 1118 | ..... | 2 | 16 | 114 |
| 5 | Big Stone City | W. T. Loomis | 1180 | 1180 | 200 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1325 | ..... | 1 | 14 | 172 |
| 6 | Britton | A. C. McLean | 1525 | 1525 | 250 | ..... | 115 | 115 | 22 | 22 | 44 | 44 | 1706 | ..... | 3 | 24 | 312 |
| 7 | Bristol | John A. Ebert | 1050 | 1050 | 150 | ..... | 81 | 81 | 18 | 18 | 31 | 31 | 1180 | ..... | 2 | 8 | 92 |
| 8 | Bowdle | John W. Bowler | 750 | 750 | 150 | ..... | 60 | 60 | 11 | 11 | 18 | 18 | 839 | ..... | 1 | 12 | 68 |
| 9 | Claremont | J. B. Krins | 1100 | 1100 | 100 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1255 | ..... | 2 | 23 | 233 |
| 10 | Conde | J. S. Ellis | 1000 | 1000 | 200 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1345 | ..... | 2 | 19 | 205 |
| 11 | Corona | E. Redmayne | 1100 | 1100 | 150 | ..... | 81 | 81 | 12 | 12 | 29 | 29 | 1222 | ..... | 1 | 13 | 80 |
| 12 | Cresbard | Joseph Franklin | 1050 | 1072 | 150 | ..... | 81 | 81 | 18 | 18 | 32 | 32 | 1203 | ..... | 2 | 21 | 147 |
| 13 | Devoe | F. L. Bromaghim | 800 | 800 | 150 | ..... | 60 | 60 | 13 | 13 | 23 | 23 | 896 | ..... | 2 | 18 | 90 |
| 14 | Doland | L. W. Darling | 1400 | 1400 | 300 | ..... | 99 | 99 | 22 | 22 | 36 | 36 | 1560 | ..... | 2 | 24 | 234 |
| 15 | Faulkton and Orient. | Chas. Wilcox | 1320 | 1320 | 120 | ..... | 108 | 108 | 22 | 22 | 36 | 36 | 1486 | ..... | 2 | 31 | 237 |
| 16 | Frankfort | C. C. Boslaugh | 1150 | 1150 | 150 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 34 | 34 | 1294 | ..... | 2 | 19 | 211 |
| 17 | Frederick | A. M. Lott | 1050 | 850 | 200 | 200 | 76 | 56 | 15 | 15 | 25 | 25 | 946 | 220 | 2 | 17 | 217 |
| 18 | Gettysburg | N. P. Johnson | 950 | 770 | 165 | 180 | 72 | 54 | 10 | 7 | 24 | 18 | 849 | 207 | 1 | 20 | 200 |
| 19 | Groton | S. E. Brown | 1300 | 1300 | 200 | ..... | 100 | 100 | 22 | 22 | 38 | 38 | 1460 | ..... | 1 | 18 | 234 |
| 20 | Hecla | F. B. Dunn | 1050 | 1050 | 150 | ..... | 81 | 81 | 16 | 16 | 31 | 25 | 1172 | 6 | 2 | 18 | 120 |
| 21 | Langford | Robert Hall | 850 | 850 | 150 | ..... | 63 | 63 | 14 | 14 | 25 | 25 | 952 | ..... | 1 | 14 | 156 |
| 22 | Leola | George M. Carter | 980 | 980 | ..... | ..... | 45 | 45 | 10 | 10 | 15 | 15 | 1050 | ..... | 1 | 5 | 61 |
| 23 | Mellette | F. C. Page | 1000 | 1000 | 200 | ..... | 72 | 72 | 16 | 16 | 28 | 28 | 1116 | ..... | 1 | 13 | 131 |
| 24 | Milbank | F. E. Morrison | 1800 | 1800 | 300 | ..... | 135 | 135 | 30 | 30 | 53 | 58 | 2023 | ..... | 1 | 17 | 217 |
| 25 | Northville | L. F. Brown | 920 | 920 | 120 | ..... | 72 | 72 | 16 | 16 | 28 | 28 | 1036 | ..... | 2 | 16 | 166 |
| 26 | Redfield | Albert Hartt | 1800 | 1800 | 300 | ..... | 135 | 135 | 30 | 30 | 53 | 53 | 2018 | ..... | 1 | 24 | 260 |
| 27 | Rockham | Harry B. Nash | 1050 | 1050 | 150 | ..... | 81 | 81 | 18 | 18 | 31 | 31 | 1180 | ..... | 2 | 13 | 135 |
| 28 | Selby | H. L. Williams | 600 | 700 | 100 | ..... | 54 | 64 | 12 | 12 | 21 | 21 | 797 | ..... | 1 | 17 | 125 |
| 29 | Sisseton | Ralph C. Shearer | 1300 | 1300 | 200 | ..... | 101 | 101 | 22 | 22 | 39 | 39 | 1462 | ..... | 3 | 32 | 322 |
| 30 | Timber Lake | A. A. Bichell | 500 | 500 | ..... | ..... | 45 | 45 | 10 | 10 | 17 | 17 | 572 | ..... | 1 | 9 | 77 |
| 31 | Waubay and Summit | Edw. E. Holmes | 1000 | 1000 | ..... | ..... | 90 | 72 | 17 | 14 | 30 | 24 | 910 | 227 | 3 | 32 | 273 |
| 32 | Webster | J. M. Hunter | 1200 | 1200 | 200 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 42 | 42 | 1252 | ..... | 2 | 19 | 175 |
| 33 | Westport | L. D. Harris | 596 | 596 | 96 | ..... | 45 | 45 | 10 | 5 | 18 | 10 | 656 | 13 | 1 | 7 | 59 |
| 34 | White Rock | M. T. Habgood | 1150 | 1150 | 150 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1295 | ..... | 2 | 20 | 131 |
| Total | | | 38051 | 37593 | 5311 | 380 | 2931 | 2885 | 613 | 602 | 1092 | 1071 | 42151 | 673 | 55 | 603 | 6132 |

DAKOTA CONFERENCE FOR 1915

| BAPTISMS | | | CHURCH MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | EPWORTH LEAGUE | | CHURCH PROPERTY | | | | | | | | | | GEN. CONF. EXPENSES | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|--|----------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|---|---|---|--|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|----------|--|
| Adults Baptized | Children Baptized | Bap'd Child'n under Instruction as Prob. | Probationers | | Full Members | | | | Senior Members | Junior Members | Churches | Estimated Value | Parsonages | Estimated Value | Paid for Bldgs. and Imp's. on Churches and Parsonages | Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages | Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages | Current Expenses—Sexton, Fuel, Light, etc. | Apportioned for the Quadrennium | Paid this Year | Balance due for the Quadrennium | List No. | |
| | | | Enrolled During Year | Now on Roll | Members on Roll | Non-Resident Members | Local Preach's | Deaths During Year | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 55 | 72 | ... | ... | ... | 871 | 60 | 1 | 4 | 140 | ... | 1 | 80000 | ... | ... | 183 | 3485 | ... | ... | 48 | 12 | ... | 1 | |
| 6 | 7 | ... | ... | 5 | 115 | ... | ... | ... | 32 | 63 | 2 | 2500 | 1 | 2000 | ... | ... | ... | 32 | 20 | 5 | 2 | | |
| 2 | 3 | 10 | 4 | ... | 67 | 7 | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 2500 | 1 | 2000 | ... | ... | ... | 90 | 16 | 4 | 3 | | |
| 6 | 3 | 15 | 13 | ... | 77 | 8 | ... | ... | 36 | ... | 2 | 3000 | 1 | 2500 | ... | 100 | 100 | 55 | ... | 4 | 4 | | |
| ... | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 86 | ... | ... | 1 | 25 | 20 | 1 | 4500 | 1 | 1500 | 288 | ... | ... | 152 | 20 | 5 | 5 | | |
| ... | 12 | ... | 21 | 2 | 115 | 13 | ... | ... | 21 | ... | 1 | 7000 | 1 | 3000 | 197 | ... | 200 | 200 | ... | 10 | 6 | | |
| ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 39 | 5 | ... | ... | 25 | ... | 2 | 5500 | 1 | 1500 | 15 | 35 | ... | 60 | ... | 6 | 7 | | |
| ... | 2 | 12 | 14 | 12 | 26 | 11 | 2 | ... | 21 | 25 | 1 | 7500 | 1 | 2500 | 252 | 975 | ... | 148 | 20 | ... | 8 | | |
| 1 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 64 | 8 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 8500 | 1 | 1500 | 160 | 200 | ... | 214 | ... | ... | 9 | | |
| 2 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 90 | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 2000 | ... | ... | ... | 133 | ... | ... | 10 | | |
| 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 90 | 20 | ... | 1 | 20 | ... | 2 | 3500 | 1 | 1500 | 200 | ... | ... | 85 | 16 | 4 | 11 | | |
| ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 74 | ... | ... | 1 | 22 | ... | 2 | 4500 | 1 | 2500 | 128 | 540 | ... | 100 | 16 | ... | 12 | | |
| ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 44 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1000 | 1 | 1000 | ... | ... | ... | 12 | 12 | 4 | 13 | | |
| 5 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 174 | 18 | ... | ... | 42 | ... | 2 | 7000 | 1 | 4000 | 250 | ... | ... | 260 | 15 | 8 | 14 | | |
| 1 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 130 | 13 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 8300 | 1 | 1500 | 1000 | ... | ... | 296 | ... | 5 | 15 | | |
| 2 | ... | ... | 8 | ... | 77 | ... | ... | 2 | 30 | ... | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 2000 | 350 | 55 | 855 | 150 | 6 | 2 | 16 | | |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 42 | ... | ... | ... | 16 | ... | 1 | 2500 | 1 | 2000 | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 10 | 10 | 17 | | |
| 3 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 87 | 21 | 1 | ... | 30 | ... | 1 | 17000 | 1 | 1500 | 61 | 674 | 8000 | 151 | ... | ... | 18 | | |
| 10 | 21 | ... | 6 | ... | 91 | 4 | ... | ... | 35 | ... | 1 | 15000 | 1 | 2500 | 70 | 1125 | 2070 | 225 | 15 | 10 | 19 | | |
| 6 | 1 | ... | 5 | 1 | 79 | 4 | ... | ... | 20 | ... | 2 | 4000 | 1 | 1600 | ... | ... | ... | 63 | ... | 4 | 20 | | |
| ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 71 | 3 | ... | ... | 15 | 5 | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 1500 | ... | ... | ... | 110 | 4 | 4 | 21 | | |
| 13 | 6 | ... | 3 | ... | 60 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 750 | 50 | ... | 845 | 150 | ... | ... | 22 | | |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 63 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 7000 | 1 | 3000 | 12 | 483 | 1200 | 125 | 12 | 8 | 23 | | |
| 3 | 5 | ... | 5 | ... | 180 | 21 | ... | ... | 32 | 32 | 1 | 18000 | 1 | 3000 | 19 | ... | ... | 460 | 24 | 6 | 24 | | |
| 3 | 4 | ... | 5 | ... | 96 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 29 | ... | 3 | 10000 | 1 | 2000 | 50 | 500 | 2000 | 150 | ... | ... | 25 | | |
| 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 175 | 12 | 3 | ... | 30 | 50 | 1 | 21000 | 1 | 3000 | 125 | ... | ... | 800 | 24 | 6 | 26 | | |
| 3 | 5 | ... | 4 | 2 | 67 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 7500 | 1 | 2500 | 120 | 95 | 1045 | 125 | 12 | 12 | 27 | | |
| ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | 41 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | 2 | 13500 | 2 | 2000 | ... | 224 | 5385 | 250 | ... | 8 | 28 | | |
| ... | 10 | ... | 2 | 12 | 180 | 3 | ... | 2 | 40 | 30 | 2 | 4500 | 1 | 1200 | 90 | ... | ... | 240 | ... | 5 | 29 | | |
| ... | 4 | ... | 2 | 2 | 35 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 400 | ... | ... | 23 | ... | ... | 48 | ... | ... | 30 | | |
| ... | 11 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 80 | 16 | ... | ... | 40 | 16 | 2 | 5000 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 229 | ... | ... | 31 | | |
| ... | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 120 | 6 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 2500 | 200 | 110 | 140 | 170 | 12 | 4 | 32 | | |
| ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 16 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 3000 | 1 | 1500 | 250 | ... | ... | 30 | ... | ... | 33 | | |
| 5 | 9 | ... | 17 | 6 | 112 | ... | ... | 1 | 25 | 50 | 3 | 6000 | 1 | 1800 | 216 | ... | 100 | 170 | ... | 10 | 34 | | |
| 143 | 229 | 48 | 138 | 100 | 3829 | 256 | 8 | 32 | 746 | 289 | 53 | 295700 | 32 | 68350 | 4309 | 9416 | 22040 | 5583 | 310 | 161 | 20 | | |

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—MITCHELL DISTRICT

| List No. | NAME OF CHARGE | NAME OF PASTOR | MINISTERIAL SUPPORT | | | | | | | | | | | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | | |
|----------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|-------|---|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| | | | Support of Pastor | | | | Support of Dist. Supt. | | Support of Bishops | | Support of Conf. Claim'n'ts | | Total Paid for Min- isterial Support | Total Deficiency | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Total Enrollment in all Departments |
| | | | Total Cl'm In. House Rent | Total P'd Inc. House Rent | Rental Value of Parsonage | Deficiency | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | | | | | |
| 1 | Alexandria | P. O. Bunt | 1700 | 1700 | 250 | ..... | 116 | 116 | 25 | 25 | 50 | 50 | 1891 | ..... | 2 | 32 | 314 |
| 2 | Alpena | R. B. Hughes | 1200 | 1200 | 200 | ..... | 80 | 80 | 18 | 18 | 35 | 35 | 1333 | ..... | 2 | 24 | 291 |
| 3 | Armour | Marion Sunderlin | 900 | 900 | 180 | ..... | 72 | 72 | 15 | 15 | 27 | 27 | 1014 | ..... | 1 | 11 | 111 |
| 4 | Artesian | I. P. Potter | 1200 | 1200 | 200 | ..... | 100 | 100 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1355 | ..... | 2 | 20 | 210 |
| 5 | Bridgewater | C. O. Bigger | 350 | 350 | 50 | ..... | 28 | 28 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 378 | ..... | 1 | 13 | 81 |
| 6 | Bard and Riverside | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | Chamberlain | S. F. Spitz | 1180 | 1180 | 180 | ..... | 80 | 80 | 18 | 18 | 35 | 35 | 1313 | ..... | 1 | 13 | 98 |
| 8 | Colome | Karel Mansveld | 855 | 780 | 100 | 75 | 54 | 40 | 10 | 2 | 23 | 8 | 830 | 112 | 2 | 14 | 214 |
| 9 | Dallas | J. W. Lucas | 650 | 650 | 120 | ..... | 45 | 45 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 16 | 716 | ..... | 1 | 9 | 115 |
| 10 | Dudley | C. D. Bennett | 100 | 100 | ..... | ..... | 8 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 108 | ..... | 1 | 8 | 58 |
| 11 | Ethan | G. D. Egner | 1144 | 1144 | 144 | ..... | 80 | 80 | 17 | 17 | 35 | 35 | 1276 | ..... | 2 | 10 | 135 |
| 12 | Farmer | C. O. Harvey | 500 | 500 | ..... | ..... | 40 | 40 | 5 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 540 | 10 | 1 | 9 | 79 |
| 13 | Fulton | C. V. Gilliland | 230 | 230 | ..... | ..... | 27 | 27 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 269 | ..... | 1 | 9 | 99 |
| 14 | Geddes | B.W. McEldowney | 1400 | 1400 | 200 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 21 | 21 | 36 | 36 | 1547 | ..... | 2 | 21 | 306 |
| 15 | Gregory | H. D. Seastrand | 844 | 844 | 144 | ..... | 56 | 56 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 10 | 915 | ..... | 2 | 30 | 217 |
| 16 | Herrick & St. Charles | W. M. Hubbard | 508 | 508 | ..... | ..... | 42 | 42 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 556 | ..... | 2 | 23 | 213 |
| 17 | Iona and Herrick | W. N. Potter | 700 | 650 | ..... | 50 | 56 | 4 | ..... | ..... | 10 | ..... | 654 | 112 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 18 | Kimball & Pukwana | G. H. Book | 335 | 335 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 335 | ..... | 2 | 12 | 122 |
| 19 | Lakeview | Arthur Rhinearson | 585 | 312 | ..... | 273 | 46 | 28 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 291 | 4 | 19 | 172 |
| 20 | Lane and Viola | J. L. Walsh | 1120 | 720 | ..... | 400 | 80 | 58 | 15 | 10 | 30 | 21 | 809 | 436 | 2 | 22 | 177 |
| 21 | Letcher | Fred Lonsdale | 796 | 546 | 96 | 250 | 70 | 19 | 12 | ..... | 21 | ..... | 565 | 334 | 1 | 8 | 43 |
| 22 | Mitchell | J. S. Hoagland, C. B. Harrold | 4500 | 4500 | 800 | ..... | 300 | 300 | 45 | 45 | 100 | 100 | 4945 | ..... | 1 | 60 | 1500 |
| 23 | Mount Vernon | W. L. Ferguson | 1100 | 1100 | 240 | ..... | 88 | 88 | 20 | 20 | 25 | 25 | 1233 | ..... | 1 | 16 | 216 |
| 24 | Plankinton | O. M. Hyde | 1200 | 1200 | 200 | ..... | 80 | 80 | 18 | 18 | 35 | 35 | 1333 | ..... | 1 | 17 | 227 |
| 25 | Platte and Dunlap | Paul Gardner | 1400 | 1400 | 200 | ..... | 96 | 96 | 20 | 20 | 40 | 40 | 1556 | ..... | 2 | 21 | 132 |
| 26 | Roswell, Rock Creek | E. F. Lovett | 1200 | 1081 | 200 | 119 | 80 | 72 | 17 | 15 | 55 | 29 | 1197 | 135 | 2 | 15 | 161 |
| 27 | Springfield | E. E. Prescott | 800 | 800 | 150 | ..... | 52 | 52 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 852 | ..... | 2 | 14 | 114 |
| 28 | Tripp | W. O. Redfield | 1300 | 1300 | 250 | ..... | 84 | 84 | 18 | 18 | 38 | 38 | 1440 | ..... | 3 | 29 | 275 |
| 29 | Tyndall | S. H. Shurtleff | 900 | 900 | 260 | ..... | 72 | 72 | 17 | 17 | 27 | 27 | 1016 | ..... | 1 | 20 | 193 |
| 30 | Virgil | Lloyd Rising | 500 | 500 | ..... | ..... | 40 | 40 | 9 | 9 | 18 | 18 | 567 | ..... | 1 | 8 | 90 |
| 31 | Wagner and Ravinia | A. L. Olson | 1450 | 1450 | 150 | ..... | 92 | 92 | 26 | 6 | 39 | 3 | 1551 | 56 | 3 | 24 | 199 |
| 32 | Wessington Springs | I. M. Hargett | 1900 | 1900 | 300 | ..... | 128 | 128 | 30 | 30 | 56 | 56 | 2114 | ..... | 1 | 25 | 415 |
| 33 | Woonsocket | T. S. Bassett | 1500 | 1500 | 200 | ..... | 104 | 104 | 22 | 22 | 45 | 45 | 1671 | ..... | 1 | 23 | 223 |
| 34 | White Lake | W. J. McClarinon | 825 | 825 | 180 | ..... | 40 | 40 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 865 | ..... | 2 | 22 | 262 |
| 35 | Winner | J. R. Payne | 725 | 680 | 144 | 45 | 58 | 30 | 15 | ..... | 25 | ..... | 710 | 113 | 1 | 10 | 159 |
| Total | | | 35597 | 34385 | 5138 | 1212 | 2484 | 2291 | 451 | 386 | 860 | 739 | 37454 | 1559 | 54 | 611 | 7226 |

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|-----------------|-------------------|--|----------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|---|---|---|--|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|----------|
| Adults Baptized | Children Baptized | Bap'd Child'n under Instruction as Prob. | Probationers | | Full Members | | | | Senior Members | Junior Members | Churches | Estimated Value | Parsonages | Estimated Value | Paid for Bldgs. and Imp's. on Churches and Parsonages | Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages | Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages | Current Expenses—Sexton, Fuel, Light, etc. | Apportioned for the Quadrennium | Paid this Year | Balance due for the Quadrennium | List No. |
| | | | Enrolled During Year | Now on Roll | Members on Roll | Non-Resident Members | Local Preach's | Deaths During Year | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 10 | ... | 29 | 15 | 233 | ... | ... | 1 | 53 | ... | 2 | 10500 | 1 | 2200 | ... | 330 | 450 | 300 | 39 | 26 | ... | 1 |
| 2 | 26 | ... | 21 | 2 | 138 | ... | ... | 1 | 35 | 35 | 2 | 4000 | 1 | 2500 | 165 | ... | ... | 136 | ... | 5 | ... | 2 |
| 2 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 79 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2700 | 1 | 2000 | 20 | ... | ... | 150 | 20 | 5 | ... | 3 |
| 7 | 17 | ... | 18 | ... | 155 | ... | ... | 3 | 40 | 25 | 2 | 4800 | 1 | 2500 | 125 | ... | ... | 128 | 14 | 10 | ... | 4 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 18 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 2500 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 5 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 3000 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 |
| 4 | 6 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 77 | 1 | ... | ... | 20 | ... | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 2000 | 55 | 25 | 25 | ... | 15 | 5 | ... | 7 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 44 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3700 | 1 | 600 | 75 | ... | 1000 | 100 | 12 | ... | 8 | 8 |
| 10 | 3 | ... | 12 | ... | 71 | ... | ... | ... | 24 | ... | 1 | 2500 | 1 | 700 | ... | 309 | 725 | 95 | 15 | 5 | ... | 9 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 17 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1800 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40 | ... | ... | ... | 10 |
| ... | 5 | ... | 2 | 11 | 96 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2600 | 1 | 1800 | 250 | ... | 250 | 90 | 8 | 4 | ... | 11 |
| ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 40 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1500 | ... | ... | 15 | ... | ... | 64 | 6 | 4 | ... | 12 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1800 | 1 | 1600 | 160 | 180 | ... | ... | 6 | 2 | ... | 13 |
| 36 | 11 | ... | 63 | 40 | 130 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 7500 | 1 | 3000 | 564 | ... | 876 | 374 | 21 | 14 | ... | 14 |
| ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 110 | 4 | ... | ... | 39 | ... | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 1600 | ... | ... | 100 | 96 | ... | ... | ... | 15 |
| ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | 43 | 4 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 6000 | 1 | 2500 | 170 | 85 | 1060 | 76 | ... | 2 | ... | 16 |
| ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2000 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 9 | 5 | ... | 17 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 73 | ... | ... | ... | 22 | ... | 2 | 5000 | 1 | 2000 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 18 |
| ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 78 | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 500 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 9 | 2 | ... | 19 |
| ... | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | 132 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 4000 | 1 | 1800 | 25 | 200 | 500 | 110 | 14 | ... | 10 | 20 |
| 4 | 1 | 1 | ... | 1 | 46 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 24 | 1 | 1600 | 1 | 1000 | 65 | ... | ... | 40 | 12 | ... | 12 | 21 |
| 60 | 31 | 30 | 120 | 30 | 1200 | 220 | 11 | 6 | 200 | 90 | 1 | 85000 | 1 | 8000 | 500 | 1000 | 12000 | 2800 | 100 | 50 | ... | 22 |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 114 | 7 | ... | 4 | 20 | ... | 1 | 4000 | 1 | 2500 | 75 | 75 | ... | 110 | 18 | 4 | ... | 23 |
| 1 | 19 | ... | ... | ... | 124 | 5 | ... | 1 | 16 | 45 | 1 | 4500 | 1 | 2500 | 350 | ... | ... | 150 | 24 | 10 | ... | 24 |
| ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 154 | 15 | 1 | ... | 45 | ... | 2 | 6500 | 1 | 2000 | ... | ... | ... | 170 | ... | ... | ... | 25 |
| ... | 1 | ... | ... | 16 | 110 | 4 | ... | 1 | 18 | ... | 1 | 2000 | 1 | 1200 | 1450 | ... | 125 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 26 |
| ... | 5 | ... | 3 | 3 | 80 | 2 | ... | ... | 20 | 20 | 2 | 5000 | 1 | 1500 | 100 | ... | ... | 75 | 12 | 4 | ... | 27 |
| 2 | 6 | ... | 10 | 2 | 114 | ... | ... | ... | 20 | ... | 3 | 8500 | 1 | 3300 | 125 | 135 | ... | 289 | ... | 8 | ... | 28 |
| ... | 2 | ... | 6 | ... | 71 | 7 | ... | ... | 18 | ... | 1 | 8000 | 1 | 4800 | 120 | ... | 2900 | 150 | 16 | 16 | ... | 29 |
| ... | 12 | ... | 1 | ... | 27 | 8 | ... | ... | 20 | ... | 1 | 2000 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40 | ... | ... | ... | 30 |
| ... | 9 | ... | 7 | ... | 120 | 15 | ... | ... | 30 | 20 | 2 | 5000 | 1 | 1000 | 50 | 115 | 552 | 250 | 21 | 9 | ... | 31 |
| 10 | 11 | ... | 15 | 27 | 404 | 17 | 2 | 4 | 56 | ... | 1 | 44000 | 1 | 2500 | ... | 8000 | 16000 | 1100 | ... | ... | ... | 32 |
| 8 | 6 | ... | 15 | ... | 179 | 7 | ... | 1 | 25 | ... | 1 | 10000 | 1 | 2500 | ... | 200 | 1750 | 210 | 21 | 8 | ... | 33 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 77 | 17 | ... | ... | 25 | 30 | 2 | 6700 | 1 | 3000 | 50 | 200 | 300 | 122 | ... | ... | ... | 34 |
| 6 | 2 | ... | 14 | 14 | 46 | 12 | ... | ... | 27 | ... | 1 | 5000 | 1 | 1000 | 100 | 240 | 2800 | 60 | ... | ... | ... | 35 |
| 164 | 197 | 35 | 359 | 168 | 4475 | 398 | 15 | 28 | 773 | 289 | 49 | 271200 | 28 | 62000 | 4609 | 11094 | 41293 | 7340 | 415 | 198 | 57 | |

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|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|----------------------------------|------|---|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--|
| | | | Support of Pastor | | | | Support of Dist. Supt. | | Support of Bishops | | Support of Conf. Claim'nts | | Total Paid for Min- isterial Support | Total Deficiency | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Total Enrollment in all Departments |
| | | | Total Cl'm In. House Rent | Total P'd Inc. House Rent | Rental Value of Parsonage | Deficiency | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | | | | | |
| 1 | Bellefourche | John C. Baker ... | 780 | 780 | 180 | .... | 42 | 42 | 4 | 4 | .... | 4 | 830 | .... | 1 | 10 | 85 |
| 2 | Boneita Springs ... | John W. Hartley. | .... | 125 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 125 | .... | 1 | 7 | 45 |
| 3 | Caputa | Julius Edlund .. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 4 | Custer and Hill City | E. J. Fish | 680 | 660 | 180 | 20 | 38 | 30 | 8 | 6 | .... | 7 | 703 | 30 | 2 | 12 | 99 |
| 5 | Deadwood | J. M. Tibbetts... | 1500 | 1500 | 300 | .... | 96 | 96 | 16 | 16 | 40 | 40 | 1652 | .... | 1 | 14 | 189 |
| 6 | Draper | B. I. Hubbard... | 284 | 284 | .... | .... | .... | 20 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 304 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 7 | Edgemont | P. J. Lawson... | 1180 | 880 | 180 | 300 | 80 | 56 | 12 | 5 | 35 | 8 | 949 | 358 | 1 | 13 | 133 |
| 8 | Harding | W. J. Stephenson | 300 | 300 | .... | .... | 24 | 24 | 4 | 4 | .... | .... | 328 | .... | 2 | 7 | 44 |
| 9 | Hot Springs | H. L. Case | 1350 | 1350 | 150 | .... | 96 | 96 | 18 | 18 | 42 | 33 | 1497 | 9 | 2 | 19 | 182 |
| 10 | Kennebec | C. E. Hager | 850 | 850 | 150 | .... | 52 | 52 | 9 | 9 | 18 | 18 | 929 | .... | 3 | 18 | 140 |
| 11 | Lead & Terraville .. | William J. Calfee | 1660 | 1660 | 300 | .... | 96 | 96 | .... | 10 | .... | 15 | 1781 | .... | 1 | 14 | 259 |
| 12 | Midland and Hays.. | C. M. Weirauch.. | 500 | 400 | .... | 100 | 28 | 12 | 3 | 2 | 14 | 3 | 417 | 128 | 5 | 21 | 161 |
| 13 | Murdo and Okaton .. | H. W. Bunton... | 1150 | 1082 | 100 | 68 | 64 | 64 | 12 | 4 | 28 | 5 | 1185 | 31 | 2 | 25 | 175 |
| 14 | Newell | A. J. Campbell... | 350 | 350 | .... | .... | 21 | 21 | .... | .... | 3 | .... | 335 | .... | 1 | 6 | 63 |
| 15 | Nowlin and Capa .. | James T. Gurney. | 150 | 150 | .... | .... | 12 | 12 | .... | 1 | .... | 2 | 165 | .... | 1 | 5 | 20 |
| 16 | Oelrichs and Wayside | A. E. Elsom | 600 | 440 | 100 | .... | 32 | 16 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 565 | 77 | 1 | 5 | 40 |
| 17 | Oral | L. F. Gillespie... | 596 | 380 | 96 | 216 | 42 | 21 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 402 | 237 | 2 | 8 | 60 |
| 18 | Piedmont | J. W. Weston... | 284 | 227 | 84 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 230 | 79 | 2 | 12 | 50 |
| 19 | Philip and Quinn .. | S. C. Olds ..... | .... | 370 | 60 | .... | .... | 25 | .... | 2 | .... | 1 | 398 | .... | 2 | 12 | 72 |
| 20 | Plainview | John W. Hartley. | .... | 173 | .... | .... | .... | 3 | .... | 2 | .... | 2 | 180 | .... | 1 | 4 | 39 |
| 21 | Rapid City | Homer W. Minish | 1500 | 1500 | 300 | .... | 96 | 96 | 18 | 18 | 42 | 42 | 1565 | .... | 1 | 14 | 214 |
| 22 | Spearfish | W. E. Hartung.. | 1000 | 1000 | 300 | .... | 80 | 80 | 10 | 10 | 30 | 30 | 1420 | .... | 1 | 20 | 210 |
| 23 | Sturgis | A. H. Beardsley. | 1050 | 761 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | 15 | 122 |
| 24 | Sturgis Circuit ..... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 25 | Terraville | P. H. Weston... | 630 | 630 | 120 | .... | 35 | 25 | 6 | .... | 15 | .... | 655 | 31 | 2 | 20 | 125 |
| 26 | Terry | S. M. Davis | 365 | 325 | 60 | 40 | .... | .... | 2 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 329 | 45 | 1 | 10 | 60 |
| 27 | Vivian and Presho.. | Geo. T. Matthews | 696 | 581 | 36 | 115 | 48 | 40 | 9 | .... | 21 | 9 | 620 | 154 | 3 | 20 | 100 |
| 28 | Wall and Wasta ... | R. A. Palmer... | 400 | 400 | .... | .... | 32 | 32 | 6 | 6 | 14 | 14 | 452 | .... | 2 | 14 | 79 |
| 29 | Weta and Interior .. | R. C. McReynolds | 228 | 156 | | 72 | | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | 160 | 72 | 2 | 14 | 84 |
| Total | | | 18033 | 17264 | 2696 | 931 | 1014 | 961 | 143 | 125 | 318 | 244 | 18263 | 1251 | 45 | 339 | 2855 |

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| Adults Baptized | Children Baptized | Bap'd Child'n under Instruction as Prob. | Probationers | | Full Members | | | | Senior Members | Junior Members | Churches | Estimated Value | Parsonages | Estimated Value | Paid for Bldgs. and Imp's. on Churches and Parsonages | Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages | Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages | Current Expenses—Sexton, Fuel, Light, etc. | Apportioned for the Quadrennium | Paid this Year | Balance due for the Quadrennium | List No. | |
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| | 12 | | 2 | 4 | 58 | 10 | | | 31 | | 1 | 4000 | 1 | 2000 | 80 | 41 | 50 | 73 | | 3 | | 1 | |
| | 2 | | | | 22 | | | | | | 1 | 1500 | | | 600 | 63 | | 21 | | | 2 | | |
| 15 | | | 17 | 3 | 70 | 5 | 1 | | 20 | | 2 | 3000 | 1 | 1500 | 102 | | | 85 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 4 | |
| 8 | 8 | ..... | 125 | ..... | 125 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 15000 | 1 | 5000 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 350 | ..... | 6 | ..... | 5 | |
| ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 29 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1500 | 1 | 250 | ..... | 23 | ..... | 20 | ..... | ..... | 6 | | |
| 7 | 7 | ..... | 23 | 13 | 67 | 25 | ..... | 1 | 15 | 30 | 1 | 5000 | 1 | 2000 | 50 | 90 | 905 | 53 | 12 | 5 | 7 | 7 | |
| ..... | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 14 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 2000 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 | ..... | ..... | 8 | | |
| 4 | 2 | ..... | 20 | 7 | 175 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 45 | 40 | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 1500 | 500 | ..... | ..... | 240 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 9 | |
| ..... | 2 | 7 | 2 | 7 | 44 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 22 | 1 | 2000 | 1 | 2600 | 65 | 158 | 1180 | 56 | 4 | 4 | ..... | 10 | |
| ..... | 11 | ..... | 2 | 2 | 219 | 11 | 6 | ..... | 40 | ..... | 2 | 11800 | 1 | 2000 | 180 | 1250 | 3750 | 449 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 11 | |
| 4 | 2 | ..... | 4 | ..... | 38 | 4 | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 3500 | ..... | ..... | 75 | ..... | ..... | 75 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 12 | |
| 1 | 3 | ..... | 24 | 11 | 89 | 13 | ..... | 1 | 20 | 30 | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 2000 | 50 | 250 | 730 | 100 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 13 | |
| 3 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 36 | 14 | ..... | ..... | 43 | ..... | 1 | 5500 | ..... | ..... | 430 | 1425 | ..... | 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 14 | |
| ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 14 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1300 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 25 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 15 | |
| ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 46 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 3600 | 1 | 300 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 35 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 16 | |
| ..... | 7 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 60 | 8 | ..... | 1 | 25 | ..... | 1 | 800 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 17 | |
| ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 | ..... | 1 | 2000 | ..... | 1400 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 26 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 18 | |
| ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 50 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 16 | ..... | 2 | 3000 | 2 | 1500 | 50 | ..... | 600 | 75 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 19 | |
| ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 18 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 2000 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 20 | |
| 1 | 5 | ..... | 4 | ..... | 205 | 32 | 2 | ..... | 90 | ..... | 1 | 8000 | 1 | 3000 | 75 | 250 | 2000 | 175 | 12 | 12 | ..... | 21 | |
| 9 | 2 | 3 | 17 | ..... | 128 | 27 | ..... | 3 | 43 | ..... | 1 | 4000 | 1 | 3000 | 76 | ..... | ..... | 210 | ..... | 8 | ..... | 22 | |
| ..... | 9 | ..... | 9 | ..... | 75 | ..... | 1 | 2 | 30 | ..... | 2 | 3500 | 1 | 2000 | 44 | 100 | ..... | 100 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 23 | |
| ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 24 | |
| ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 38 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 1800 | ..... | ..... | 100 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 25 | |
| 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1000 | 1 | 500 | 50 | ..... | ..... | 125 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 26 | |
| ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 45 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 4000 | 1 | 750 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 100 | 5 | ..... | 5 | 27 | |
| ..... | 5 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 18 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 3000 | ..... | ..... | 850 | ..... | 160 | 35 | 6 | ..... | 6 | 28 | |
| 31 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 96 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 2200 | ..... | ..... | 170 | ..... | ..... | 27 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 29 | |
| 84 | 97 | 32 | 275 | 74 | 1750 | 239 | 15 | 22 | 428 | 122 | 38 | 102000 | 18 | 31300 | 3547 | 3650 | 9375 | 2510 | 55 | 61 | 25 | | |

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT

| List No. | NAME OF CHARGE | NAME OF PASTOR | MINISTERIAL SUPPORT | | | | | | | | | | | | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|------|---|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--|
| | | | Support of Pastor | | | | Support of Dist. Supt. | | Support of Bishops | | Support of Conf. Claim'm'ts | | Total Paid for Min- isterial Support | Total Deficiency | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Total Enrollment in all Departments |
| | | | Total Cl'm In- House Rent | Total P'd Inc. House Rent | Rental Value of Parsonage | Deficiency | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Alcester | P. Brethorst | 750 | 750 | 150 | .... | 48 | 48 | 11 | 11 | 21 | 21 | 830 | .... | 2 | 12 | 60 |
| 2 | Beresford | J. B. Dibble | 1450 | 1450 | 250 | .... | 96 | 96 | 18 | 18 | 42 | 42 | 1606 | .... | 1 | 14 | 191 |
| 3 | Canistota | E. E. Saxton | 1150 | 1150 | 200 | .... | 76 | 76 | 17 | 17 | 33 | 33 | 1276 | .... | 1 | 19 | 150 |
| 4 | Canton | A. W. Thurston | 1560 | 1560 | 360 | .... | 96 | 96 | 24 | 24 | 42 | 42 | 1722 | .... | 1 | 21 | 413 |
| 5 | Centerville | W. A. Gale | 1000 | 928 | 150 | 72 | 65 | 60 | 12 | 10 | 18 | 15 | 1013 | 82 | 2 | 14 | 144 |
| 6 | Chester | Frank Tanner | 830 | 830 | 180 | .... | 52 | 52 | 10 | 10 | 19 | 19 | 911 | .... | 1 | 10 | 90 |
| 7 | Colton | J. D. Stevens | 800 | 800 | 100 | .... | 56 | 56 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 856 | .... | 1 | 12 | 87 |
| 8 | Colman | O. M. Rifembark | 950 | 925 | 150 | 25 | 64 | 62 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 1054 | 27 | 2 | 23 | 175 |
| 9 | Davis and Pioneer | W. S. Rowden | 1100 | 1100 | 120 | .... | 64 | 64 | 16 | 16 | 28 | 28 | 1485 | .... | 2 | 15 | 119 |
| 10 | Dell Rapids | A. P. Janes | 1250 | 1260 | 250 | .... | 88 | 88 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 20 | 1378 | .... | 1 | 20 | 210 |
| 11 | Egan | A. J. Hoyer | 1050 | 1050 | .... | .... | 72 | 72 | 17 | 17 | 33 | 33 | 1172 | .... | 1 | 15 | 262 |
| 12 | Elk Point | S. B. Lowrie | 1100 | 1100 | .... | .... | 72 | 72 | .... | 9 | .... | 21 | 1202 | .... | 1 | 17 | 187 |
| 13 | Flandreau | T. B. Wilber | 1450 | 1450 | 250 | .... | 96 | 96 | 24 | 24 | 42 | 42 | 1612 | .... | 1 | 14 | 200 |
| 14 | Flandreau Circuit | D. C. Arms | .... | 80 | .... | .... | .... | 10 | .... | 1 | .... | 3 | 94 | .... | 1 | 4 | 61 |
| 15 | Garretson | Nels Fanebust | 1350 | 1320 | 300 | 30 | 84 | 81 | 8 | 7 | 31 | 30 | 1447 | 36 | 2 | 20 | 181 |
| 16 | Gayville | H. E. Rice | 1400 | 1400 | 200 | .... | 96 | 96 | 21 | 21 | 36 | 36 | 1553 | .... | 2 | 22 | 260 |
| 17 | Hartford | C. H. Graf | 1635 | 1635 | 260 | .... | 110 | 110 | 22 | 22 | 43 | 43 | 1810 | .... | 2 | 20 | 220 |
| 18 | Harrisburg | O. P. Jackson | 950 | 930 | 100 | 20 | 68 | 66 | 16 | 16 | 30 | 30 | 1042 | 22 | 2 | 13 | 131 |
| 19 | Howard | A. S. Lovell | 1450 | 1450 | 300 | .... | 92 | 92 | 20 | 20 | 40 | 40 | 1602 | .... | 2 | 21 | 209 |
| 20 | Hudson and Fairview | C. D. Arms | 744 | 655 | 144 | 89 | 48 | 48 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 18 | 727 | 89 | 2 | 16 | 101 |
| 21 | Hurley | W. P. Slocum | 1120 | 1120 | 120 | .... | 80 | 80 | 12 | 12 | 35 | 35 | 1247 | .... | 2 | 18 | 258 |
| 22 | Irene | Latham Ingham | 800 | 800 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 800 | .... | 1 | 6 | 45 |
| 23 | Junius | C. W. Langdon | 1020 | 896 | 120 | 124 | 72 | 61 | 16 | 12 | 27 | 20 | 989 | 146 | 1 | 5 | 68 |
| 24 | Lennox | O. D. Jackson | 350 | 350 | 144 | .... | 28 | 28 | 6 | 6 | 12 | 12 | 540 | .... | 1 | 10 | 126 |
| 25 | Madison | G. D. Brown | 1640 | 1640 | 240 | .... | 112 | 112 | 25 | 25 | 49 | 49 | 1826 | .... | 1 | 25 | 383 |
| 26 | Montrose | Guy Wilkinson | 590 | 590 | .... | .... | 40 | 40 | 8 | 8 | 18 | 18 | 656 | .... | 2 | 10 | 120 |
| 27 | Parker | W. A. Black | 1400 | 1400 | 200 | .... | 96 | 96 | 24 | 24 | 42 | 42 | 1562 | .... | 1 | 20 | 256 |
| 28 | Salem | E. E. Hunt | 1700 | 1750 | 300 | .... | 104 | 104 | 24 | 24 | 45 | 45 | 1923 | .... | 1 | 15 | 175 |
| 29 | Scotland | John Kaye | 1180 | 1180 | 180 | .... | 80 | 70 | 10 | 5 | 30 | 15 | 1270 | 30 | 1 | 16 | 187 |
| 30 | Sioux Falls—First | J. W. Potter | 3400 | 3400 | 600 | .... | 224 | 224 | 50 | 50 | 80 | 80 | 3754 | .... | 1 | 43 | 1074 |
| 31 | East Side | W. N. Deller | 1015 | 1015 | 300 | .... | 101 | 101 | 17 | 17 | 35 | 35 | 1168 | .... | 3 | 35 | 315 |
| 32 | Valley Springs | G. N. Gage | 1000 | 1000 | 150 | .... | 68 | 68 | 15 | 15 | 25 | 25 | 1108 | .... | 3 | 20 | 198 |
| 33 | Vermilion | W. N. Graves | 1740 | 1740 | 240 | .... | 120 | 120 | 25 | 25 | 42 | 42 | 1927 | .... | 1 | 24 | 350 |
| 34 | Wakonda | L. A. McDonald | 1325 | 1325 | 225 | .... | 110 | 110 | 11 | 11 | 33 | 33 | 1479 | .... | 2 | 24 | 211 |
| 35 | Yankton | H. P. Eberhart | 1400 | 1500 | 200 | .... | 96 | 96 | 24 | 24 | 42 | 42 | 1662 | .... | 1 | 20 | 270 |
| Total | | | 41649 | 41529 | 6483 | 360 | 2774 | 2761 | 539 | 538 | 1031 | 1029 | 46303 | 432 | 52 | 611 | 7217 |

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| 2 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 60 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 3000 | 1 | 1500 | ... | ... | ... | 75 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | |
| ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 104 | 4 | 1 | ... | 35 | ... | 1 | 16500 | 1 | 1500 | 7633 | ... | 7505 | 320 | ... | ... | 2 | |
| ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 150 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 30 | ... | 2 | 4500 | 1 | 2700 | 157 | ... | ... | 175 | ... | ... | 3 | |
| 8 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 3 | 290 | 16 | 1 | 5 | 35 | ... | 1 | 7500 | 1 | 5000 | ... | ... | 2525 | 260 | 15 | ... | 4 | |
| ... | 2 | 10 | 1 | ... | 75 | 12 | ... | ... | 10 | ... | 2 | 6000 | 1 | 1500 | 241 | ... | ... | 100 | ... | 2 | 5 | |
| ... | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 52 | 4 | ... | ... | 14 | 18 | 1 | 2000 | 1 | 2000 | 128 | ... | ... | 100 | 6 | ... | 6 | |
| ... | 1 | ... | 6 | 6 | 62 | 6 | ... | 1 | 26 | ... | 1 | 4000 | 1 | 1200 | 51 | 170 | 350 | 91 | ... | ... | 7 | |
| ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 87 | 9 | ... | 1 | 29 | ... | 2 | 3500 | 1 | 1500 | 157 | ... | ... | 138 | ... | ... | 8 | |
| 5 | 10 | ... | 18 | ... | 93 | 2 | ... | 1 | 30 | ... | 1 | 4200 | 1 | 1200 | 1175 | 250 | ... | 110 | 8 | 2 | 4 | |
| ... | 10 | ... | ... | 3 | 110 | 10 | ... | 1 | 15 | ... | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 2000 | 50 | ... | ... | 150 | ... | 3 | 10 | |
| ... | 4 | ... | 3 | 5 | 164 | 13 | ... | 2 | 35 | 64 | 1 | 7000 | 1 | 1400 | 100 | 1300 | ... | 197 | 10 | 10 | 11 | |
| 2 | 10 | ... | 2 | 12 | 75 | 10 | ... | ... | 25 | ... | 2 | 10500 | 1 | 2500 | 3800 | ... | 950 | 175 | ... | ... | 12 | |
| ... | 4 | 30 | ... | 8 | 232 | 6 | ... | 4 | 45 | 25 | 1 | 5000 | 1 | 2500 | ... | ... | ... | 355 | 15 | 10 | 13 | |
| ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 33 | 4 | 1 | ... | 20 | ... | 1 | 1000 | ... | ... | 20 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 14 | |
| ... | 5 | ... | 1 | 10 | 65 | 5 | ... | 1 | 41 | ... | 2 | 5500 | 1 | 3000 | 2000 | ... | 1650 | 146 | 15 | 5 | 15 | |
| 2 | 18 | ... | ... | ... | 128 | 20 | 2 | 1 | 50 | ... | 2 | 5000 | 1 | 2000 | 40 | ... | ... | 150 | ... | 3 | 16 | |
| 6 | 4 | ... | 10 | ... | 198 | 22 | 4 | ... | 50 | ... | 2 | 5800 | 1 | 3500 | 200 | ... | 500 | 300 | ... | 5 | 17 | |
| ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 56 | 3 | ... | 1 | 14 | 27 | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 1000 | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 8 | 4 | 18 | |
| 6 | 4 | ... | 5 | ... | 107 | ... | ... | 1 | 15 | ... | 2 | 5400 | 1 | 3500 | 1500 | ... | 600 | 200 | ... | ... | 19 | |
| ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 74 | 3 | ... | 3 | 26 | 8 | 2 | 4000 | 1 | 1500 | 164 | 60 | ... | 80 | 7 | 3 | 20 | |
| ... | 2 | 20 | ... | ... | 126 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 45 | 30 | 2 | 6000 | 1 | 3200 | ... | ... | ... | 225 | ... | ... | 21 | |
| ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | 20 | ... | 1 | 7000 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 35 | ... | ... | 22 | |
| 8 | 3 | ... | 8 | 1 | 40 | 2 | 1 | ... | 24 | ... | 1 | 3200 | 1 | 1200 | 80 | 50 | ... | 85 | 8 | 2 | 23 | |
| 2 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 34 | ... | 1 | ... | 20 | ... | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 1500 | 32 | ... | ... | 93 | 6 | 6 | 24 | |
| 5 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 30 | 327 | 22 | ... | 4 | 45 | 60 | 1 | 30000 | 1 | 2500 | 200 | ... | ... | 950 | 24 | 9 | 25 | |
| 21 | 16 | 6 | 44 | 16 | 73 | 14 | ... | 2 | 48 | ... | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 1600 | ... | 150 | ... | 90 | ... | ... | 26 | |
| 8 | 11 | ... | 14 | 9 | 178 | 23 | ... | 2 | 50 | ... | 1 | 7000 | 1 | 2500 | 250 | ... | ... | 325 | ... | ... | 27 | |
| 4 | 4 | 10 | 15 | 10 | 129 | 21 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 6000 | 1 | 4500 | 100 | 1500 | 2204 | 240 | ... | ... | 28 | |
| 13 | 7 | ... | 43 | ... | 118 | 2 | ... | ... | 15 | ... | 1 | 4500 | 1 | 3000 | 100 | 100 | ... | 125 | ... | ... | 29 | |
| 17 | 14 | ... | ... | ... | 812 | 50 | ... | 7 | 62 | ... | 1 | 83000 | 1 | 7000 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 30 | |
| 10 | 8 | ... | ... | 8 | 154 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 26000 | 1 | 3000 | 8700 | ... | 11500 | 450 | ... | ... | 31 | |
| 1 | 23 | 18 | 9 | 2 | 82 | 19 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 7300 | 1 | 1000 | 143 | ... | ... | 100 | 15 | 2 | 32 | |
| ... | 9 | ... | 2 | 2 | 306 | 39 | ... | 3 | 45 | 25 | 1 | 12000 | 1 | 1000 | ... | ... | ... | 500 | ... | 2 | 33 | |
| 15 | 6 | 10 | 32 | 11 | 99 | ... | ... | ... | 30 | ... | 2 | 10000 | 1 | 3000 | 600 | ... | ... | 225 | ... | ... | 34 | |
| 4 | 15 | ... | 24 | 20 | 218 | 25 | 3 | 3 | 50 | ... | 1 | 12000 | 1 | 2500 | ... | ... | 750 | 375 | ... | 2 | 35 | |
| 138 | 238 | 122 | 265 | 163 | 4917 | 388 | 16 | 52 | 937 | 257 | 50 | 340400 | 33 | 78500 | 27621 | 3580 | 28884 | 6690 | 137 | 82 | 4 | |

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|-------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|-------|---|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--|
| | | | Support of Pastor | | | | Support of Dist. Supt. | | Support of Bishops | | Support of Conf. Claim'n'ts | | Total Paid for Min- isterial Support | Total Deficiency | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Total Enrollment in all Departments |
| | | | Total Cl'm In. House Rent | Total P'd Inc. House Rent | Rental Value of Parsonage | Deficiency | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | | | | | |
| 1 | Arlington | R. E. Tarleton... | 1350 | 1350 | ..... | ..... | 99 | 99 | 20 | 20 | 33 | 38 | 1507 | ..... | 1 | 18 | 177 |
| 2 | Agar | Geo. W. Quayle... | 200 | 200 | ..... | ..... | 18 | 18 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 7 | 229 | ..... | 1 | 12 | 52 |
| 3 | Bradley | C. B. Cooney.... | 900 | 900 | 100 | ..... | 72 | 72 | 16 | 16 | 28 | 28 | 1016 | ..... | 1 | 10 | 127 |
| 4 | Brookings | R. A. Bruce.... | 1700 | 1700 | 300 | ..... | 126 | 126 | 30 | 30 | 49 | 49 | 1905 | ..... | 1 | 42 | 537 |
| 5 | Blunt and Lincoln | G. A. Trodie.... | *210 | 191 | 100 | 19 | 21 | 15 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 214 | 27 | 2 | 9 | 69 |
| 6 | Broadland | S. B. Cook | 400 | 400 | ..... | ..... | 36 | 36 | 8 | 8 | 13 | 13 | 457 | ..... | 2 | 11 | 98 |
| 7 | Bruce | O. M. Freeman... | 433 | 433 | ..... | ..... | 58 | 58 | 13 | 9 | 22 | 15 | 515 | 11 | 2 | 15 | 95 |
| 8 | Burdette and Carlton | Harry D. Clark.. | 900 | 900 | 100 | ..... | 72 | 72 | 16 | 16 | 28 | 28 | 1016 | ..... | 2 | 15 | 100 |
| 9 | Castlewood | Earl I. Prosser.. | 640 | 640 | 100 | ..... | 48 | 48 | 11 | ..... | 22 | ..... | 688 | 33 | 1 | 9 | 59 |
| 10 | Carpenter | Harry Lee | 1000 | 865 | 100 | 135 | 81 | 66 | 18 | 10 | 32 | 25 | 966 | 165 | 3 | 19 | 169 |
| 11 | Clark | O. W. Butterfield. | 1450 | 1450 | 250 | ..... | 108 | 108 | 24 | 24 | 42 | 42 | 1624 | ..... | 2 | 32 | 286 |
| 12 | Clear Lake | C. B. Dennison.. | 1000 | 921 | 180 | 79 | 65 | 63 | 14 | 10 | 26 | 20 | 1014 | 91 | 1 | 11 | 130 |
| 13 | DeSmet | Percy Kenderdine | 650 | *350 | 120 | ..... | 65 | 35 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 385 | ..... | 1 | 5 | 65 |
| 14 | Elkton | A. L. Wilson.... | 800 | 743 | 130 | 57 | 72 | 67 | 14 | 3 | 25 | 15 | 828 | 83 | 2 | 11 | 63 |
| 15 | Esmond | O. E. McDonald.. | 1080 | 930 | 180 | 150 | 81 | 81 | 18 | 18 | 31 | 31 | 1060 | 150 | 2 | 26 | 231 |
| 16 | Florence | D. G. Radcliffe.. | 1025 | 1025 | ..... | ..... | 90 | 72 | 17 | 8 | 30 | 10 | 1115 | 47 | 1 | 7 | 37 |
| 17 | Garden City | R. G. Minkler.... | 1350 | 1350 | 150 | ..... | 108 | 108 | 24 | 24 | 42 | 42 | 1524 | ..... | 1 | 23 | 246 |
| 18 | Gary | Fred Rawlinson.. | 1200 | 1200 | 250 | ..... | 85 | 85 | 19 | 19 | 33 | 33 | 1304 | ..... | 3 | 23 | 207 |
| 19 | Hazel and Thomas | H. G. Ozanne.... | 1180 | 1180 | 180 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1325 | ..... | 2 | 29 | 232 |
| 20 | Harrold | P. H. Weston .. | 700 | 575 | ..... | 125 | 63 | 53 | 5 | 5 | 25 | 25 | 658 | 135 | ..... | 14 | 64 |
| 21 | Henry | Fred H. Ray.... | 1254 | 1254 | 200 | ..... | 94 | 94 | 21 | 21 | 36 | 36 | 1405 | ..... | 2 | 21 | 185 |
| 22 | Highmore | A. E. Hocking... | 1150 | 1150 | 150 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1295 | ..... | 2 | 18 | 259 |
| 23 | Hitchcock | Saml. W. Marble | 1340 | 1340 | 240 | ..... | 99 | 99 | 22 | 22 | 38 | 38 | 1499 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 145 |
| 24 | Huron | A. E. Buriff.... | 2080 | 2080 | 480 | ..... | 144 | 144 | 32 | 32 | 56 | 56 | 2312 | ..... | 1 | 28 | 487 |
| 25 | Iroquois | T. H. Trevithick. | 1150 | 1220 | 150 | *70 | 90 | 90 | 18 | 18 | 33 | 33 | 1361 | ..... | 1 | 14 | 172 |
| 26 | Lake Preston | A. E. Bennett.... | 1180 | 1180 | 180 | ..... | 100 | 100 | 17 | ..... | 30 | ..... | 1280 | ..... | 1 | 16 | 175 |
| 27 | Miller | John E. Kearton.. | 1700 | 1700 | 350 | ..... | 121 | 121 | 26 | 26 | 47 | 47 | 1894 | ..... | 3 | 32 | 272 |
| 28 | Oldham | J. F. Dunn.... | 800 | 800 | 120 | ..... | 72 | 62 | 14 | ..... | 24 | ..... | 862 | 48 | 1 | 6 | 56 |
| 29 | Oneida | Geo. H. Quayle.. | 796 | 796 | 96 | ..... | 63 | 63 | 14 | 14 | 24 | 24 | 897 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 30 | Pierre | E. O. Machemer.. | 1700 | 1700 | 500 | ..... | 108 | 108 | 24 | 24 | 42 | 42 | 1874 | ..... | 1 | 21 | 187 |
| 31 | Pearl Creek, Cavour. | Cecil H. Bacon.. | 850 | 805 | 100 | 45 | 67 | 61 | 14 | 14 | 24 | 24 | 904 | 51 | 3 | 15 | 119 |
| 32 | St. Lawrence | John Oakley | 720 | 720 | 120 | ..... | 54 | 54 | 12 | 12 | 21 | 21 | 786 | ..... | 1 | 13 | 180 |
| 33 | Tulare | Wm. M. Allen.... | 1000 | 1000 | 150 | ..... | 76 | 76 | 17 | 17 | 31 | 31 | 1124 | ..... | 1 | 13 | 187 |
| 34 | Trenton | R. A. Bruce.... | 300 | 300 | ..... | ..... | 29 | 29 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 10 | 342 | ..... | 1 | 10 | 140 |
| 35 | Watertown | Franklin F. Lewis | 2200 | 2200 | 400 | ..... | 162 | 162 | 31 | 31 | 54 | 54 | 2447 | ..... | 1 | 30 | 400 |
| 36 | White | M. E. Nickerson.. | 1200 | 1200 | 200 | ..... | 90 | 90 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 1345 | ..... | 1 | 20 | 175 |
| 37 | Wessington | B. F. Stiles..... | 950 | 822 | 150 | 128 | 80 | 78 | 14 | 12 | 26 | 22 | 934 | 136 | 1 | 13 | 100 |
| 38 | Wolsey ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Total | | | 38238 | 37570 | 5826 | 668 | 2997 | 2893 | 616 | 535 | 1095 | 936 | 41911 | 977 | 54 | 611 | 6283 |

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| | 2 | 2 | | | 102 | 22 | ... | 3 | 70 | | 1 | 3500 | 1 | 5000 | 270 | 350 | 700 | 437 | | | 1 | | |
| | | | | | 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | |
| | 1 | | | 1 | 6 | 84 | | 2 | | | 2 | 4000 | 1 | 1200 | 69 | 129 | | 70 | 8 | 2 | 3 | | |
| 19 | 10 | | 30 | 47 | 441 | 11 | | 1 | 65 | | 1 | 35000 | 1 | 6000 | | | 900 | 40 | 10 | | 4 | | |
| | | | | | 25 | | | | | | 1 | 5100 | 1 | 1400 | 25 | 415 | 1600 | 6 | | | 5 | | |
| | | | | | 45 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 3000 | | | 40 | | | 75 | 4 | 4 | 6 | | |
| | 3 | | | 3 | 52 | 3 | | | | | 2 | 2000 | 1 | 1000 | | | 100 | | 1 | | 7 | | |
| | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | 53 | 3 | | | | 2 | 4500 | 1 | 2000 | | | 50 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 8 | | |
| | | | 4 | 4 | 40 | 25 | | | | | 1 | 2500 | 1 | 2000 | 7 | | 50 | | | | 9 | | |
| | 6 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 92 | 6 | | 1 | 35 | | 3 | 5000 | 1 | 1200 | 89 | 160 | 95 | | | | 10 | | |
| | | | | 10 | 212 | 10 | | 2 | 30 | | 2 | 14000 | 1 | 2700 | 1550 | 400 | 1075 | 310 | 28 | 7 | 11 | | |
| | 1 | | | 3 | 54 | 13 | | | 30 | | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 2000 | | | 102 | | 4 | | 12 | | |
| | | | | | 40 | 10 | 1 | | 15 | | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 1000 | | | 125 | | | | 13 | | |
| | 8 | | | | 55 | 4 | | | | | 2 | 4700 | 1 | 1200 | 90 | 300 | 260 | 50 | 6 | | 14 | | |
| 1 | 2 | | | 17 | 111 | 5 | | 1 | 15 | | 1 | 1500 | 1 | 1800 | 215 | | 150 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 15 | | |
| | 2 | 1 | | 15 | 48 | 3 | | 1 | | | 2 | 4000 | | | 100 | 35 | 100 | 75 | 6 | 2 | 16 | | |
| | 8 | | 2 | 7 | 145 | 29 | | | 26 | | 1 | 7500 | 1 | 2000 | | | 125 | 15 | 3 | | 17 | | |
| | 2 | | 1 | | 149 | 41 | | 2 | | | 3 | 6500 | 1 | 2000 | 148 | 320 | 150 | 15 | 3 | 3 | 18 | | |
| 1 | 15 | 6 | 32 | 18 | 155 | 3 | | 6 | | | 2 | 4500 | 1 | 2000 | 323 | | 176 | | 3 | | 19 | | |
| | 8 | | | | 34 | | | 1 | 20 | | 1 | 3500 | | | 27 | 175 | 625 | 35 | | 3 | 20 | | |
| 3 | 9 | | 23 | 5 | 144 | 24 | | 1 | | | 2 | 4000 | 1 | 2000 | 40 | 75 | 175 | 225 | 18 | 3 | 21 | | |
| 2 | 9 | 35 | 3 | 4 | 132 | 16 | | 2 | 20 | | 1 | 4000 | 1 | 1400 | 340 | 100 | 114 | 12 | 6 | | 22 | | |
| | | | 12 | 16 | 108 | 6 | | | | | 2 | 4000 | 1 | 2200 | 250 | | 80 | | | | 23 | | |
| 21 | 29 | 35 | 34 | 3 | 390 | 57 | | 5 | 70 | 63 | 1 | 25000 | 1 | 5000 | 161 | | 1245 | | 15 | | 24 | | |
| | | | | | 75 | 16 | | 1 | 30 | | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 1700 | 167 | | 73 | 28 | 7 | | 25 | | |
| | 3 | | 7 | 7 | 112 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 22 | 8 | 1 | 7000 | 1 | 2000 | | 400 | | 130 | 12 | 12 | 26 | | |
| 3 | 12 | | 12 | 4 | 175 | 2 | | 1 | 26 | | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 5000 | 100 | 300 | 1400 | 130 | 12 | | 27 | | |
| | | | | | 24 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 4000 | | | | 275 | 75 | | | | 28 | | |
| 1 | | | | | 15 | 3 | | 1 | | | 1 | 1800 | | | 35 | | 100 | | | | 29 | | |
| 1 | | | 3 | 5 | 139 | 30 | | 1 | 20 | | 1 | 70000 | 2 | 14000 | | 2617 | 28000 | 1046 | 8 | 8 | 30 | | |
| 2 | | | 3 | | 61 | | | 24 | | | 3 | 2400 | 1 | 800 | 69 | | 500 | 19 | 10 | 10 | 31 | | |
| | | | 1 | | 75 | 4 | 1 | | 15 | 12 | 1 | 4000 | 1 | 1000 | | | 70 | | 1 | | 32 | | |
| | 7 | | 9 | 7 | 102 | | | | 50 | 29 | 1 | 6000 | 1 | 1000 | 1984 | 97 | 363 | 100 | 11 | 9 | 33 | | |
| 1 | 3 | | | | 32 | | | 17 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 34 | | |
| | 5 | 45 | 5 | 45 | 554 | 15 | | 2 | 50 | 60 | 1 | 80000 | 1 | 4000 | 10000 | | 60000 | | 54 | | 35 | | |
| 3 | | | 4 | | 110 | 19 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 3000 | 1 | 2000 | 400 | | | 1 | 15 | 5 | 36 | | |
| | | 12 | 12 | 12 | 51 | 2 | | | | | 1 | 2000 | 1 | 2500 | 65 | | 1200 | 50 | 10 | 2 | 37 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 38 | | |
| 58 | 147 | 139 | 201 | 244 | 4243 | 384 | 4 | 41 | 650 | 172 | 50 | 340500 | 31 | 78100 | 16564 | 5473 | 96673 | 6409 | 320 | 129 | 24 | | |

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—RECAPITULATION

| List No. | NAME OF DISTRICT | NAME OF SUPERINTEND- ENT | MINISTERIAL SUPPORT | | | | | | | | | | | | | | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | | |
|----------|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|------|----------------------------------|------|---|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | | Support of Pastor | | | | Support of Dist. Supt. | | Support of Bishops | | Support of Conf. Claim'nts | | Total Paid for Min- isterial Support | Total Deficiency | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Total Enrollment in all Departments | | | |
| | | | Total Cl'm In. House Rent | Total P'd Inc. House Rent | Rental Value of Parsonage | Deficiency | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | Claim | Paid | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Aberdeen | J. S. Harkness.. | 38051 | 37593 | 5311 | 380 | 2931 | 2885 | 613 | 602 | 1092 | 1071 | 42151 | 673 | 55 | 603 | 6132 | | | |
| 2 | Mitchell | W. S. Shepherd. | 35597 | 34385 | 5138 | 1212 | 2484 | 2291 | 451 | 386 | 860 | 739 | 37454 | 1559 | 54 | 611 | 7226 | | | |
| 3 | Rapid City | C. E. Matteson.. | 18033 | 17264 | 2696 | 931 | 1014 | 961 | 143 | 125 | 318 | 244 | 18263 | 1251 | 45 | 339 | 2855 | | | |
| 4 | Sioux Falls | G. W. Rosenberry | 41649 | 41529 | 6483 | 360 | 2774 | 2761 | 539 | 538 | 1031 | 1029 | 46303 | 432 | 52 | 611 | 7217 | | | |
| 5 | Watertown | O. E. Boyce.... | 38238 | 37570 | 5826 | 668 | 2997 | 2893 | 616 | 535 | 1095 | 936 | 41911 | 977 | 54 | 611 | 6283 | | | |
| | Total for 1914 ..... | ..... | 170580 | 167207 | 27132 | 3017 | 13539 | 13152 | 2221 | 2056 | 3992 | 3636 | 186021 | 4039 | 269 | 2821 | 27664 | | | |
| | Total for 1915 ..... | ..... | 171568 | 168331 | 24454 | 3551 | 12201 | 11791 | 2362 | 2186 | 4396 | 4019 | 186102 | 4892 | 260 | 2775 | 29713 | | | |
| | Increase or decrease for Confer- ence, 1915 ..... | ..... | 988 | 1124 | -2678 | 534 | -1338 | -1361 | 141 | 130 | 404 | 383 | 81 | 853 | -9 | -46 | 2049 | | | |

DAKOTA CONFERENCE FOR 1915

| BAPTISMS | | | CHURCH MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | EPWORTH LEAGUE | | CHURCH PROPERTY | | | | | | | | | | GEN. CONF. EXPENSES | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|--|----------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|---|---|---|--|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| Adults Baptized | Children Baptized | Bap'd Child'n under Instruction as Prob. | Probationers | | Full Members | | | | | Senior Members | Junior Members | Churches | Estimated Value | Parsonages | Estimated Value | Paid for Bldgs. and Imp's. on Churches and Parsonages | Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages | Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages | Current Expenses—Sexton, Fuel, Light, etc. | Apportioned for the Quadrennium | Paid this Year | Balance due for the Quadrennium | List No. | | |
| | | | Enrolled During Year | Now on Roll | Members on Roll | Non-Resident Members | Local Preach's | Deaths During Year | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 143 | 229 | 48 | 138 | 100 | 3829 | 256 | 8 | 32 | 746 | 289 | 53 | 295700 | 32 | 68350 | 4309 | 9416 | 22040 | 5583 | 310 | 161 | 20 | 1 | | | |
| 164 | 197 | 35 | 359 | 168 | 4475 | 398 | 15 | 28 | 773 | 289 | 49 | 271200 | 28 | 62000 | 4609 | 11094 | 41293 | 7340 | 415 | 198 | 57 | 2 | | | |
| 84 | 97 | 32 | 275 | 74 | 1750 | 239 | 15 | 22 | 428 | 122 | 38 | 102000 | 18 | 31300 | 3547 | 3650 | 9375 | 2510 | 55 | 61 | 25 | 3 | | | |
| 138 | 236 | 122 | 265 | 163 | 4917 | 388 | 16 | 52 | 937 | 257 | 50 | 340400 | 33 | 78500 | 27621 | 3580 | 28884 | 6690 | 137 | 82 | 4 | 4 | | | |
| 58 | 147 | 139 | 201 | 244 | 4243 | 384 | 4 | 41 | 650 | 172 | 50 | 340500 | 31 | 78100 | 16564 | 5473 | 96673 | 6409 | 320 | 129 | 24 | 5 | | | |
| 678 | 744 | 402 | 1360 | 754 | 18814 | 1675 | 55 | 142 | 3672 | 1476 | 244 | 1212725 | 143 | 315875 | 112672 | 30002 | 179321 | 30358 | 1256 | 482 | 550 | | | | |
| 587 | 906 | 370 | 1238 | 749 | 19214 | 1655 | 58 | 175 | 3524 | 1129 | 242 | 1349800 | 142 | 318250 | 56650 | 33213 | 198265 | 28522 | 1237 | 631 | 130 | | | | |
| —91 | 162 | —32 | —122 | —5 | 400 | —20 | 3 | 33 | —148 | —347 | —2 | 137075 | —1 | 2375 | —56022 | 3211 | 18944 | —1836 | —19 | 149 | —420 | | | | |

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—ABERDEEN DISTRICT

| NAMES OF CHARGES | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | | | | | | | | | | | | COLLECTIONS FOR B. OF S. S. | | |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--------|---------------|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Scholars, not including Home Department and Cradle Roll | Members in Home Department | Children on the Cradle Roll | Total all Dep'ts., Inc. Cradle Roll & Home Dep't. Ofers & Tehrs. | Average Attendance of all Grades | Offic's. & Teachers, Members or Probationers | Scholars, Members or Probationers | Members of Sunday School Converted | S. S. Expenses: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc. | Church | Sunday School | 10% Sunday School Missionary Offering | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aberdeen | 1 | 28 | 440 | .... | 109 | 577 | 310 | 28 | ... | 115 | 230 | 9 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Andover | 1 | 11 | 151 | .... | 21 | 183 | 83 | 9 | 51 | 1 | 66 | 12 | .... | .... | 10 | .... |
| Ashton | 1 | 11 | 90 | .... | 7 | 108 | 64 | 9 | 50 | 4 | 60 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Bath and Putney | 2 | 16 | 90 | .... | 8 | 114 | 50 | 9 | 37 | .... | 55 | 8 | .... | .... | 1 | .... |
| Big Stone City | 1 | 14 | 135 | .... | 23 | 172 | 82 | 14 | .... | 1 | 76 | 12 | 8 | .... | .... | .... |
| Bowdle | 1 | 12 | 56 | .... | .... | 68 | .... | 11 | .... | .... | 30 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Bristol | 2 | 8 | 80 | .... | 4 | 92 | 60 | 8 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | .... |
| Britton | 3 | 24 | 226 | .... | 52 | 312 | 115 | 22 | 80 | 14 | 130 | 8 | .... | .... | 4 | .... |
| Claremont | 2 | 23 | 142 | 23 | 45 | 233 | 76 | 20 | 35 | 4 | 85 | 3 | 3 | .... | 3 | .... |
| Conde | 2 | 19 | 138 | 27 | 21 | 205 | 98 | 18 | 60 | .... | 65 | 9 | .... | .... | 9 | .... |
| Corona | 1 | 13 | 50 | .... | 17 | 80 | 50 | 13 | 45 | 9 | 50 | 2 | 1 | .... | 1 | .... |
| Cresbard | 2 | 21 | 121 | .... | 5 | 147 | 77 | 18 | 70 | 8 | 128 | 5 | .... | .... | 2 | .... |
| Cheney | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Devoe | 2 | 18 | 72 | .... | .... | 90 | 28 | 18 | 30 | .... | 45 | 5 | .... | .... | 1 | .... |
| Doland | 2 | 24 | 210 | .... | .... | 234 | 136 | 24 | .... | 11 | 140 | 2 | 1 | .... | 3 | .... |
| Faulkton | 2 | 31 | 162 | .... | 44 | 237 | 116 | 23 | 69 | 5 | 148 | 12 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Frankfort | 2 | 19 | 169 | .... | 23 | 211 | 74 | 18 | .... | 10 | .... | 7 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Frederick | 2 | 17 | 165 | .... | 35 | 217 | 75 | 10 | 25 | .... | 75 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Groton | 1 | 18 | 158 | .... | 24 | 200 | 100 | 18 | .... | 6 | 76 | 6 | .... | .... | 4 | .... |
| Gettysburg | 1 | 20 | 189 | .... | 25 | 234 | .... | 20 | .... | 5 | 107 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Hecla | 2 | 18 | 82 | .... | 20 | 120 | 83 | 17 | 52 | 4 | 89 | .... | 5 | .... | 1 | .... |
| Langford | 1 | 14 | 115 | .... | 27 | 156 | 49 | 13 | 35 | .... | 61 | 7 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Leola | 1 | 5 | 56 | .... | .... | 61 | 37 | 2 | .... | .... | 88 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Mellette | 1 | 13 | 102 | .... | 16 | 131 | 80 | 9 | .... | .... | 60 | 4 | .... | .... | 1 | .... |
| Milbank | 1 | 17 | 177 | .... | 23 | 217 | 130 | 17 | 90 | 5 | 101 | 13 | .... | .... | 7 | .... |
| Northville | 2 | 16 | 130 | .... | 20 | 166 | 94 | 15 | .... | 5 | 70 | 3 | 1 | .... | 1 | .... |
| Redfield | 1 | 24 | 216 | .... | 20 | 260 | 163 | 22 | 70 | .... | 175 | 15 | 6 | .... | .... | .... |
| Rockham | 2 | 13 | 109 | .... | 13 | 135 | 90 | 8 | 10 | 3 | 85 | 6 | .... | .... | 1 | .... |
| Seneca | 1 | 8 | 127 | .... | .... | 135 | 73 | 3 | .... | .... | 36 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Selby | 1 | 17 | .... | .... | .... | 125 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Sisseton | 3 | 32 | 260 | .... | 30 | 322 | 173 | 28 | .... | .... | 150 | 18 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Timber Lake | 1 | 9 | 56 | .... | 12 | 77 | 50 | 9 | .... | .... | 39 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... |
| Waubay and Summit | 3 | 32 | 195 | 26 | 20 | 273 | 93 | 27 | 51 | .... | 98 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | .... |
| Webster | 2 | 19 | 141 | .... | 15 | 175 | 74 | 15 | 60 | .... | 75 | 9 | .... | .... | 4 | .... |
| Westport | 1 | 7 | 52 | .... | .... | 59 | 28 | 7 | .... | 4 | 28 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| White Rock | 2 | 20 | 111 | .... | .... | 131 | 90 | 16 | 54 | 30 | 67 | 7 | 3 | .... | 2 | .... |
| Total | 56 | 611 | 4773 | 76 | 678 | 6257 | 2901 | 518 | 989 | 245 | 2858 | 187 | 29 | .... | 58 | .... |

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—MITCHELL DISTRICT

| NAMES OF CHARGES | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Scholars, not including Home Department and Cradle Roll | Members in Home Department | Children on the Cradle Roll | Total all Dep'ts., Inc. Cradle Roll & Home Dept. Ofcrs & Tchrs. | Average Attendance of all Grades | Offic's. & Teachers, Members or Probationers | Scholars, Members or Probationers | Members of Sunday School Converted | S. S. Expenses: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc. | COLLECTIONS FOR B. OF S. S. | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | Church | Sunday School | 10% Sunday School Missionary Offering |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alexandria | 2 | 32 | 220 | 20 | 42 | 314 | 145 | 31 | 190 | 45 | 160 | 26 | ..... | ..... |
| Alpena | 2 | 24 | 241 | ..... | 26 | 291 | 139 | 19 | 75 | 19 | 72 | 3 | ..... | 3 |
| Armour | 1 | 11 | 100 | ..... | ..... | 111 | 50 | 7 | 27 | 4 | 65 | 3 | ..... | ..... |
| Artesian | 2 | 20 | 160 | ..... | 30 | 210 | 115 | 20 | ..... | 17 | 100 | ..... | 3 | 2 |
| Bridgewater | 1 | 13 | 68 | ..... | ..... | 81 | 35 | 10 | 10 | ..... | 40 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Bard and Riverside ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Chamberlain | 1 | 13 | 84 | ..... | 1 | 98 | 65 | 13 | 50 | 5 | 60 | 2 | ..... | ..... |
| Colome | 2 | 14 | 173 | ..... | 27 | 214 | 75 | 12 | 44 | ..... | 40 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Dallas | 1 | 9 | 106 | ..... | ..... | 115 | 65 | 7 | 45 | 10 | 80 | ..... | 2 | ..... |
| Dudley | 1 | 8 | 50 | ..... | ..... | 58 | 40 | 8 | 26 | ..... | 20 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Ethan | 2 | 10 | 100 | ..... | 25 | 135 | 55 | 9 | 50 | 1 | 40 | ..... | 6 | ..... |
| Farmer | 1 | 9 | 70 | ..... | ..... | 79 | 85 | 9 | ..... | ..... | 40 | ..... | 4 | ..... |
| Fulton | 1 | 9 | 90 | ..... | ..... | 99 | 56 | 5 | ..... | ..... | 40 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Geddes | 2 | 21 | 270 | 15 | ..... | 306 | 141 | 20 | 120 | 80 | 95 | 4 | ..... | 3 |
| Gregory | 2 | 30 | 140 | ..... | 47 | 217 | 110 | 20 | 80 | ..... | 40 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Herrick and St. Charles | 2 | 23 | 153 | ..... | 37 | 213 | 78 | 10 | 11 | 1 | 65 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Iona and Hamill ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Kimball and Pukwana | 2 | 12 | 110 | ..... | ..... | 122 | 55 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Lakeview | 4 | 19 | 112 | ..... | 41 | 172 | 103 | 15 | 76 | ..... | 45 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Lane and Viola | 2 | 22 | 123 | ..... | 32 | 177 | 98 | 22 | ..... | ..... | 48 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Letcher | 1 | 8 | 35 | ..... | ..... | 43 | 23 | 8 | 14 | 2 | 25 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Mitchell | 1 | 60 | 1215 | 125 | 100 | 1500 | 800 | 60 | 250 | 50 | 1000 | 15 | 16 | 5 |
| Mount Vernon | 1 | 16 | 162 | 6 | 32 | 216 | 91 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 60 | ..... | 2 | 1 |
| Plankinton | 1 | 17 | 175 | ..... | 35 | 227 | 110 | 17 | 50 | ..... | 75 | 5 | ..... | ..... |
| Platte and Dunlap | 2 | 21 | 111 | ..... | ..... | 132 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 76 | 2 | ..... | ..... |
| Roswell and Rockcreek | 2 | 15 | 109 | ..... | 37 | 161 | 91 | 15 | 56 | ..... | 43 | 2 | ..... | ..... |
| Springfield | 2 | 14 | 88 | ..... | 12 | 114 | 71 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 52 | ..... | 7 | 2 |
| Tripp | 3 | 29 | 226 | ..... | 20 | 275 | 130 | 20 | ..... | 8 | 155 | 8 | ..... | ..... |
| Tyndall | 1 | 20 | 159 | ..... | 19 | 198 | ..... | 10 | 40 | 6 | 125 | 4 | ..... | ..... |
| Virgil | 1 | 8 | 82 | ..... | ..... | 90 | 65 | 3 | 16 | 18 | 40 | 3 | ..... | ..... |
| Wagner and Ravinia | 3 | 24 | 175 | ..... | ..... | 199 | 92 | 17 | ..... | ..... | 110 | 2 | ..... | ..... |
| Wessington Springs | 1 | 25 | 325 | ..... | 65 | 415 | 202 | 25 | ..... | ..... | 235 | ..... | 36 | 3 |
| Woonsocket | 1 | 23 | 175 | ..... | 25 | 223 | 125 | 23 | 90 | 13 | 120 | 8 | ..... | ..... |
| White Lake | 2 | 22 | 220 | ..... | 20 | 262 | 150 | 15 | 130 | ..... | 52 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Winner | 1 | 10 | 75 | 14 | 60 | 159 | 50 | 9 | ..... | ..... | 63 | ..... | 1 | ..... |
| Total | 54 | 611 | 5702 | 180 | 733 | 7226 | 3510 | 478 | 1475 | 299 | 3291 | 90 | 76 | 19 |

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—RAPID CITY DISTRICT

| NAMES OF CHARGES | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
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| | | | | | | | | | | | | Church | Sunday School | 10% Sunday School Missionary Offering |
| Bellefourche | 1 | 10 | 75 | ... | ... | 85 | 60 | 7 | 18 | 2 | 62 | ... | 1 | ... |
| Boneita Springs | 1 | 7 | 32 | ... | 6 | 45 | 25 | 7 | ... | ... | 21 | ... | ... | ... |
| Caputa and Creston | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Custer and Hill City | 1 | 12 | 75 | ... | ... | 99 | 50 | 9 | 20 | 13 | 50 | 2 | ... | ... |
| Deadwood | 1 | 14 | 175 | ... | ... | 189 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 250 | 6 | ... | ... |
| Draper | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Edgemont | 1 | 13 | 100 | ... | 20 | 133 | 60 | 13 | ... | 18 | 96 | 2 | ... | ... |
| Harding | 2 | 7 | 37 | ... | ... | 44 | 32 | 3 | 8 | ... | 30 | ... | ... | ... |
| Hot Springs | 2 | 19 | 145 | ... | 18 | 182 | 108 | 18 | 76 | 26 | 102 | 5 | ... | ... |
| Kennebec | 3 | 18 | 110 | ... | 12 | 140 | 75 | 15 | 35 | 10 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 |
| Lead and Terraville | 2 | 34 | 185 | ... | 40 | 259 | 150 | 29 | 60 | ... | 155 | ... | ... | ... |
| Midland and Hayes | 5 | 21 | 140 | ... | ... | 161 | 120 | 18 | 60 | 4 | 30 | 3 | ... | ... |
| Murdo and Okaton | 2 | 25 | 120 | ... | 30 | 175 | 100 | 24 | 60 | 20 | 75 | ... | 3 | ... |
| Newell | 1 | 6 | 62 | ... | ... | 68 | 50 | 8 | ... | 5 | 36 | ... | ... | ... |
| Nowlin and Capa | 1 | 5 | 15 | ... | ... | 20 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 12 | ... | ... | ... |
| Oelrichs and Wayside | 1 | 5 | 35 | ... | ... | 40 | 25 | ... | 3 | ... | 16 | ... | ... | ... |
| Oral | 2 | 8 | ... | ... | 10 | 60 | 40 | 6 | 30 | ... | 25 | ... | ... | ... |
| Piedmont | 2 | 12 | 38 | ... | ... | 50 | 34 | 2 | ... | ... | 12 | 2 | ... | ... |
| Philip and Quinn | 2 | 12 | 60 | ... | ... | 72 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Plainview | 1 | 4 | 35 | ... | ... | 39 | 25 | 3 | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Rapid City | 1 | 14 | 200 | ... | ... | 214 | 120 | 14 | ... | ... | 135 | 5 | ... | 3 |
| Spearfish | 1 | 20 | 176 | ... | 14 | 210 | 91 | 16 | ... | 11 | 104 | 3 | ... | 2 |
| Sturgis | 2 | 15 | 100 | ... | 7 | 122 | 60 | 10 | 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Sturgis Circuit | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Terraville | 2 | 20 | 125 | ... | ... | 145 | 90 | 12 | ... | 4 | 50 | ... | ... | ... |
| Terry | 1 | 10 | 50 | ... | ... | 60 | 40 | ... | ... | ... | 35 | ... | ... | ... |
| Vivian and Prescho | 3 | 20 | 80 | ... | ... | 100 | 65 | 15 | ... | ... | 50 | ... | ... | ... |
| Wall and Wasta | 2 | 14 | 65 | ... | ... | 79 | 42 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 40 | ... | ... | ... |
| Weta and Interior | 2 | 14 | 70 | ... | ... | 84 | 50 | 14 | ... | ... | 22 | ... | ... | ... |
| Total | 45 | 359 | 2305 | ... | 157 | 2876 | 1524 | 251 | 408 | 127 | 1411 | 30 | 4 | 6 |

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT

| NAMES OF CHARGES | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | COLLECTIONS FOR B. O. F. S. S. | | |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--------|---------------|---------------------------------------|----|--|--------------------------------|--|--|
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| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alcester | 2 | 12 | 48 | 17 | 20 | 60 | 35 | 10 | 25 | 15 | 50 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Beresford | 1 | 14 | 140 | | | 191 | 95 | 12 | 80 | 15 | 160 | 9 | | | | | | | |
| Canistota | 1 | 19 | 131 | | | 150 | 80 | 19 | | | 85 | 8 | 2 | | 10 | | | | |
| Canton | 1 | 21 | 335 | 16 | 41 | 413 | 200 | 20 | 174 | 15 | 259 | 17 | | | | | | | |
| Centerville | 2 | 14 | 85 | | 15 | 114 | 60 | 14 | 40 | | 75 | 2 | | | 1 | | | | |
| Chester | 1 | 10 | 80 | | | 90 | 35 | 5 | 40 | | 26 | | | | | | | | |
| Colton | 1 | 12 | 60 | | 15 | 87 | 50 | 10 | | 3 | 56 | | 6 | | | | | | |
| Colman | 2 | 23 | 152 | | | 175 | 90 | 23 | 63 | 1 | 66 | 3 | | | | | | | |
| Davis and Pioneer | 2 | 15 | 98 | | 6 | 119 | 65 | 15 | | 18 | | | 2 | | | | | | |
| Dell Rapids | 1 | 20 | 160 | | 30 | 210 | 80 | 15 | | | 150 | | | | | | | | |
| Egan | 1 | 15 | 197 | | 50 | 262 | 109 | 13 | 50 | 2 | 114 | 10 | | | | | | | |
| Elk Point | 1 | 17 | 144 | 6 | 20 | 187 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Flandreau | 1 | 14 | | | | 200 | 135 | 13 | 135 | | 135 | | | | 4 | | | | |
| Flandreau Circuit | 1 | 4 | 57 | | | 61 | | 4 | | | 28 | | | | | | | | |
| Garretson and Sherman | 2 | 20 | 140 | 6 | 15 | 181 | 94 | 19 | 50 | 5 | 90 | 4 | 4 | | 2 | | | | |
| Gayville | 2 | 22 | 200 | | 40 | 240 | 120 | 22 | | | 100 | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Hartford | 2 | 20 | | | | 220 | 140 | 20 | | | 125 | | | | | | | | |
| Harrisburg | 2 | 13 | 101 | | 17 | 131 | 80 | 13 | 26 | | 100 | 6 | | | | | | | |
| Howard | 2 | 21 | 173 | | 15 | 209 | 140 | 21 | 40 | 3 | 120 | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Hudson and Fairview | 2 | 16 | 70 | | 15 | 101 | 75 | 16 | | 1 | 100 | | 3 | | | | | | |
| Hurley | 2 | 18 | 200 | | 40 | 258 | 140 | | 150 | 20 | 100 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | |
| Irene | 1 | 6 | 30 | | 9 | 45 | 27 | 6 | | | 27 | | | | | | | | |
| Junius | 1 | 5 | 45 | | 18 | 68 | 33 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 20 | | 3 | | 1 | | | | |
| Lennox | 1 | 10 | 81 | | 35 | 126 | 61 | 5 | 4 | | 128 | | | | | | | | |
| Madison | 1 | 25 | 305 | 27 | 26 | 383 | 210 | 25 | 160 | 15 | 190 | 10 | | | 2 | | | | |
| Montrose | 2 | 10 | 110 | | | 120 | 80 | 9 | | 25 | 55 | 4 | | | | | | | |
| Parker | 1 | 20 | | | | 256 | 178 | 20 | | 6 | | 15 | | | | | | | |
| Salem | 1 | 15 | 160 | | 15 | 175 | 90 | 14 | | 15 | 100 | | 10 | | | | | | |
| Scotland | 1 | 16 | 144 | | 27 | 187 | 82 | 15 | | 33 | 45 | | | | | | | | |
| Sioux Falls—First | 1 | 43 | 862 | 20 | 149 | 1074 | 465 | 43 | | | 444 | | 29 | | 41 | | | | |
| Jordan | 3 | 35 | 280 | | | 315 | 180 | 30 | | 4 | 250 | | | | | | | | |
| Valley Springs | 3 | 20 | 137 | | 41 | 198 | 107 | 19 | 25 | 7 | 88 | 7 | | | 2 | | | | |
| Vermilion | 1 | 24 | 305 | | 21 | 350 | 150 | 23 | 160 | 2 | 125 | | | | 3 | | | | |
| Wakonda | 2 | 24 | 175 | | 12 | 211 | 125 | 24 | 101 | 40 | 75 | 3 | 1 | | | | | | |
| Yankton | 1 | 20 | 200 | | 50 | 270 | 145 | 20 | | 50 | 135 | 2 | | | 3 | | | | |
| Total | 52 | 611 | 5404 | 92 | 762 | 7217 | 3756 | 541 | 1330 | 289 | 3723 | 106 | 65 | | 71 | | | | |

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—WATERTOWN DISTRICT

| NAMES OF CHARGES | SUNDAY SCHOOLS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| | Sunday Schools | Officers and Teachers | Scholars, not including Home Department and Cradle Roll | Members in Home Department | Children on the Cradle Roll | Total all Dep'ts., Inc. Cradle Roll & Home Dep't. Ofcs & Tchrs. | Average Attendance of all Grades | Offic's. & Teachers, Members or Probationers | Scholars, Members or Probationers | Members of Sunday School Converted | S. S. Expenses: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc. | COLLECTIONS FOR B. O. F. S. S. | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | Church | Sunday School | 10% Sunday School Missionary Offering | |
| Arlington | 1 | 18 | 154 | .... | 25 | 177 | 104 | 18 | 65 | .... | 71 | .... | .... | 10 | |
| Agar | 1 | 12 | 40 | .... | .... | 52 | 30 | 3 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Bradley | 1 | 10 | 100 | .... | 17 | 127 | 60 | 10 | 85 | 1 | .... | .... | 2 | .... |  |
| Brookings | 1 | 42 | 455 | .... | 40 | 537 | 320 | 41 | 300 | 40 | 300 | 10 | 19 | 4 | |
| Blunt | 2 | 9 | 56 | .... | 4 | 69 | 45 | 4 | 18 | .... | 6 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Broadland | 2 | 11 | 75 | .... | 12 | 98 | 45 | 11 | 30 | .... | 30 | .... | 4 | .... |  |
| Bruce | 2 | 15 | 80 | .... | .... | 95 | 55 | 2 | .... | .... | 25 | 4 | .... | .... |  |
| Burdett and Carlton | 2 | 15 | 85 | .... | .... | 100 | 75 | 12 | 40 | .... | 35 | 4 | 2 | .... |  |
| Castlewood | 1 | 9 | 50 | .... | .... | 59 | 35 | 9 | 22 | 3 | 37 | .... | .... | 1 | |
| Carpenter | 3 | 19 | 137 | .... | 13 | 169 | 60 | 18 | 90 | .... | 50 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Clark | 2 | 32 | 230 | .... | 24 | 286 | 145 | 30 | 165 | 10 | 140 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Clear Lake | 1 | 11 | 103 | .... | 16 | 130 | 54 | 9 | 21 | .... | 40 | 1 | .... | .... |  |
| DeSmet | 1 | 5 | 60 | .... | .... | 65 | 25 | 5 | 30 | .... | 25 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Elkton | 2 | 11 | 52 | .... | .... | 63 | 33 | 6 | 14 | .... | 14 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Esmond | 2 | 26 | 165 | .... | 40 | 231 | 91 | 24 | 98 | 8 | 82 | 4 | .... | 5 | |
| Florence | 1 | 7 | 37 | .... | .... | 37 | 30 | 4 | 2 | .... | .... | 3 | 2 | .... |  |
| Garden City | 1 | 23 | 177 | .... | 46 | 246 | 102 | 22 | 64 | 3 | 159 | 3 | 5 | 5 | |
| Gary | 3 | 23 | 150 | 10 | 24 | 207 | 80 | 22 | 85 | .... | 70 | 4 | .... | .... |  |
| Hazel and Thomas | 2 | 29 | 172 | .... | 31 | 232 | 102 | 25 | 100 | 42 | 131 | 13 | .... | 1 | |
| Harrold | 1 | 14 | 50 | .... | .... | 64 | .... | 14 | .... | .... | 10 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Henry | 2 | 21 | 152 | .... | 12 | 185 | 110 | 21 | .... | 22 | 105 | 8 | .... | 2 | |
| Highmore | 2 | 18 | 175 | 35 | 31 | 259 | 85 | 14 | 100 | .... | 44 | .... | 4 | .... |  |
| Hitchcock | 2 | 15 | 130 | .... | .... | 145 | 100 | 9 | 16 | 12 | 50 | .... | .... | 3 | |
| Huron | 1 | 28 | 312 | 12 | 135 | 487 | 190 | 28 | 127 | 30 | 136 | 20 | .... | 4 | |
| Iroquois | 1 | 14 | 150 | 8 | .... | 172 | 78 | 14 | .... | .... | 56 | 3 | .... | 2 | |
| Lake Preston | 1 | 16 | 138 | .... | 21 | 175 | 63 | 16 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Miller | 3 | 32 | 240 | .... | .... | 272 | 200 | 32 | 35 | 12 | 100 | .... | 2 | .... |  |
| Oldham | 1 | 6 | 50 | .... | .... | 56 | 40 | 6 | .... | .... | 30 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Oneida | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Pierre | 1 | 21 | 148 | .... | 18 | 187 | 116 | 19 | .... | .... | 139 | 5 | .... | 1 | |
| Pearl Creek and Cavour | 3 | 15 | 104 | .... | .... | 119 | 75 | 14 | 10 | 3 | 47 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| St. Lawrence | 1 | 13 | 160 | .... | 7 | 180 | 140 | 14 | 29 | .... | 60 | .... | 1 | .... |  |
| Tulare | 1 | 13 | 156 | .... | 18 | 187 | 98 | 11 | 81 | 5 | 50 | 8 | .... | 2 | |
| Trenton | 1 | 10 | 100 | .... | 30 | 140 | 70 | 10 | 40 | .... | 60 | .... | .... | .... |  |
| Watertown | 1 | 30 | 325 | 25 | 50 | 400 | 250 | 30 | .... | .... | 350 | .... | 25 | .... |  |
| White | 1 | 20 | 120 | .... | 35 | 175 | 88 | 18 | 45 | 3 | 100 | .... | .... | 1 | |
| Wessington | 1 | 13 | 100 | | | 60 | | | | | 30 | 1 | | | |
| Wolsey | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 55 | 626 | 4968 | 90 | 649 | 6183 | 3254 | 545 | 1712 | 194 | 2582 | 91 | 66 | 41 | |

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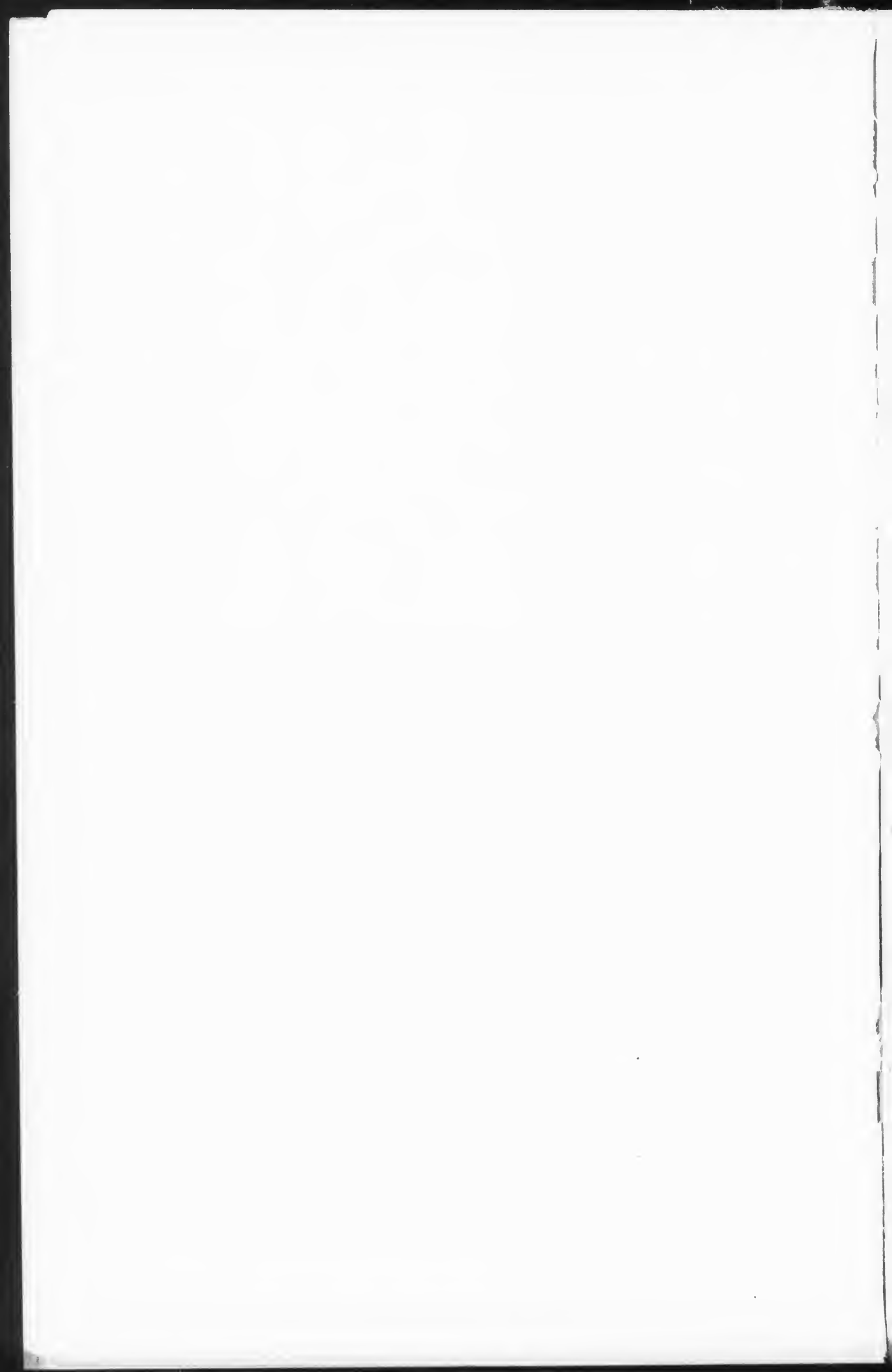
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